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JOHN I. HILL TO SPEAK ON MISS. RADIO HOUR



REV. JOHN I. HILL

Rev. John I. Hill, pastor at Union, will be the speaker on the Mississippi Radio Hour Sunday, December 11. He will be heard over the following stations:

At 8:30 a. m. over WLAU, Laurel and WLOX, Biloxi; at 2 p. m. over WSLI, Jackson; WCBI, Columbus; WMOX, Meridian; WROB, West Point; WLEO, Tupelo; WROX, Clarksdale; WAPF, McComb; WJMB, Brookhaven; WNAG, Grenada; WHOC, Philadelphia.

BROOKHAVEN BIBLE CONFERENCE MEETS JAN. 9-13 Drs. R. E. Day, John I. Hill, R. L. Hudson To Be Speakers

Dr. Richard Ellsworth Day, of Sunnyside, California, and a well-known writer, will be one of the featured speakers at the second annual Bible Conference to be held at the First Church, Brookhaven, January 9-13, 1950.

Dr. Day's lectures will include the following: "Barak in Buckskins," the life of Finney; "Yankee From Cleveland," the life of H. P. Crowell; "Sound in the Mulberry Trees," the life of David Brainerd; "The Accolade of Fire," the life of Moody; "The Hiding of Power," the life of Spurgeon; "Rhapsody in Black," a glimpse of the life of the great colored preacher, John Jasper; and "Tapers From the King's Candelabra," from his book, Beacon Lights of Grace.

The Brookhaven Bible Conference is open to ministers from over the state and elsewhere. Last year five states were represented in the attendance. Preachers desiring free overnight accommodations in homes should make their requests at once.

In addition to the biographical studies by Dr. Day, Dr. John I. Hill, former book editor of the Sunday School Board, will give the New Testament Studies, and Dr. R. Lofton Hudson, pastor of the First Church, Shawnee, Oklahoma, will bring a series of lectures on sermon building.

Says Baptists Are Hope Of Oppressed

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(RNS)—A Baptist preacher declared here that a world threatened by Communism and "evils in other forms" looks to the Baptists to save it.

Dr. George Ragland of Lexington, Ky., made the statement to the 75th annual meeting of the Tennessee Baptist Convention. He pointed to "grave sins in the Church and in the State," and said "It is the Baptists who are the hope of oppressed peoples."

Another speaker, Dr. F. F. Brown of Knoxville, Tenn., called upon Baptists to use legislative votes wisely. Referring especially to the liquor question, he said:

"Liquor has become something that has crawled and breathes its poisonous atmosphere on everything it touches through high priced advertising. There has never been a time when any evil was so highly advertised, so expensive and so highly owned."

Dr. Charles Gage of New Orleans urged delegates to take a more active part in the resettlement of displaced persons. "If we don't bring our people over here," he said, "the Catholics and Jews will bring theirs, while Baptist displaced persons will remain behind. Baptists have done very little about these people."

Anniversary Clubs Aid Circulation Now Exceeds 65,000

Anniversary Clubs in units of 15 continue to arrive in the Circulation Department of the Baptist Record. Each unit of 15 adds to the growing subscription list.

The circulation of the Baptist Record is now the largest in its history. As of Tuesday, November 29, the paid subscription list was 65,386. The exact figures for this week will be found elsewhere but should be around 65,500.

Many churches, pastors, friends and others are sending clubs of 15 new subscriptions in celebration of Editor Goodrich's 15 years with the Baptist Record.

A goal of 65,000 circulation has been set. It is hoped that enough 15 clubs will be received during December to not only reach the 65,000 mark but to exceed it. All who will are urged to join in the celebration. The price of admission is 15 or more subscriptions.

Home Board Approves Advance Program

DR. LEE URGES SUPPORT FOR THE BAPTIST HOUR

By DR. R. G. LEE
President,

Southern Baptist Convention

The Baptist Hour now on 132 stations has untold possibilities for reaching millions with the gospel. With appreciative praise has this broadcast been received by thousands of listeners. But money sufficient to finance this wonderful enterprise has not been sent. Great is the need for increased mailing lists of individuals to whom Dr. Lowe can write.

If our pastors and others in leadership will inform our people that the Baptist Hour must be financed over and above their regular contributions to Kingdom causes through the local church, ample supply of money will come in not only to CONTINUE but to ENLARGE the Baptist Hour.

The Southern Baptist Convention asks that we do not approach churches or church organizations or ask money from church treasuries.

But let our people, without allowing their gifts to the Baptist Hour interfere with their gifts through the local churches, support this great endeavor. Such support will diminish no amounts now given to other causes. Something from hundreds of thousands of our millions of Southern Baptists will furnish the thousands of dollars needed week by week to finance this matter of preaching the Gospel to the entire nation. Let whoever readeth this, tell others and let all who read and hear send some money—NOW.

PASTORS SHOULD FOLLOW UP MARRIAGE CEREMONY

By M. E. DODD

(A continuing feature of Dr. Dodd's long and fruitful ministry in Shreveport has been his interest in the couples he has married. In response to my request this statement has been prepared for the Baptist papers.—Joe W. Burton, Editor, Home Life.)

The marriage ceremony does not end the pastor's responsibility for that couple. I try to continue my ministry to them in the following ways:

1. On the marriage certificate I write the Bible references, Numbers 6:24-26, the benediction used in the ceremony. I call their attention to this and ask them to read these verses together later.

2. When my marriages were few, I used to give the couple an autographed copy of some good book on how to make a success of marriage. Oh, I

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To Have Mountain Missions

The 1949 annual meeting of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention has just been held in Atlanta. An advance program for the five years beginning 1951 was presented by Assistant Executive Secretary Courts Redford, and approved by the Board. In 1943 the Board had 438 missionaries and was just completing the payment of a burdensome debt. Today the Board has 744 missionaries. The advance program calls for considerable increase in the number of missionaries and in the budget of the Home Mission Board. In the face of the great need before the Board its members will seek ways and means of increasing the income so as to enter new fields which are challenging.

The budget adopted by the Board for 1950 operations was \$1,380,000.00, practically the same as during the past year.

The area of the Home Mission Board was revealed to be 2,200,404 square miles with seventy-three millions of people in the territory. More than twenty-one million people within the convention territory live beyond the reach of a Baptist church.

A mountain mission program, with A. B. Cash as secretary, was promulgated and will be operated in cooperation with Kentucky Baptists.

G. F. Garrison was re-elected President of the Board, Dr. Jas. F. Weeberry, Vice President, and Dr. Monroe F. Swilley as Recording Secretary. All staff members were re-elected. The Board has 744 employees.

Ministers Round Up Illicit Liquor

OKEMAH, Okla.—(RNS)—Tired of being the "laughing stock of the courthouse," four Okemah ministers took things in their own hands and showed county officers how illicit liquor can be rounded up in Oklahoma.

They led a raiding party that seized 256 bottles of whisky at an Okemah filling station.

Fortified by a search warrant and under-sheriff Lee Carter, the ministers pounced on a station at the western outskirts of the Okfuskee county community and filled three automobiles with their haul.

Conducting the raid were the Rev. A. R. Goff, Calvary Baptist church; the Rev. Harry Summers, First Presbyterian; the Rev. Orville Coates, St. Luke's Methodist, and the Rev. K. D. Byers, Church of God.

Said Pastor Goff: "We'd been planning the raid for months. We didn't tell anybody. When we got ready, we went to the county attorney's office,

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have found that giving a year's subscription to Home Life is most acceptable.

3. When I say goodbye to the newlyweds I exact of them the promise that they will write to me on their first wedding anniversary and on as many thereafter as possible. Some of these letters are among my most cherished possessions.

4. When I hear or read of some notable achievement by either or both, I write or call them on the phone and give them my congratulations with an expression of personal pride that I was with them at the marriage altar. If some sorrow has come, I write an appropriate letter. I give special attention to them on the occasion of the birth of a baby, especially the first one. I write the baby a letter of welcome to this wonderful world of ours and express the hope and prayer that he may enjoy Christian training in the home and grow up to be a good and greatly useful person.

5. For some years we have conducted an annual "Christian Homes Service" in our church with all the couples whom I have married as honor guests. It is an evening service and a formal invitation goes to each couple. They sit in a white-ribboned reserved section. The sanctuary is decorated as for a wedding—with candles and everything. The choir sings wedding music. It is most interesting to watch the way the couples look at each other when the choir sings, "Believe Me, If All Those Endearing Young Charms." Their facial expression is a special study if they have been married twenty-five or thirty-five years.

Some of the sermon subjects through the years have been: "Dedicating Our Homes," Deuteronomy 30:5; "Do's and Don'ts For Husband and Wife"; "An Ideal Husband"; "An Ideal Wife"; "Why Did You Marry?" "When Home Is Heaven"; "Home—A Path to God"; "When Christ Visits the Home"; "Till Death Do Us Part."

At the close of the service I give one book on the home or marriage to the couple I have married most recently, and another book to the couple present who has been married the longest. The last one was thirty-six years. There is always a good deal of interest in who this couple will be.

6. I counsel the couples to establish and maintain a family altar. It will unify, cement, stabilize, and save the family as nothing else can do.

7. When the couple settles in their own home, I call and suggest a home dedication service, according to Deuteronomy 6:4-12. After the couple, with united hands as at the wedding ceremony, have pledged themselves to dedicate their home: (1) to religious instruction, (2) to religious discipline, (3) to religious conversation, (4) to religious hospitality, and (5) to religious worship (Deut. 6:7), then have the dedicatory prayer, everybody kneeling.

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"OUR FELLOWSHIP THRIVES BEST in denominational meetings. Someone has said that Baptists are the meetingest people on earth. Meetings are essential in the promotion of our kingdom programs. Denominational faithfulness is measured by church willingness to participate in the gatherings of fellow Baptists."—Robert E. Naylor, The Baptist Training Union Magazine.

W. D. Mendum, Jr., Ordained At Forest Church



REV. W. D. MENDUM, JR.

Rev. W. D. Mendum, Jr., was ordained to the Gospel Ministry at the Forest Church, Wednesday night, November 23. Rev. V. M. Lanier of Newton served as Clerk of the presbytery and brought the recommendation from the presbytery that Mr. Mendum having been found sound in his Christian experience, his call to the ministry and Baptist Doctrine, be ordained to the ministry.

Rev. N. F. Davis, Jr., Pastor of the Forest Church, brought the message of the evening. Rev. Owen Smith, Scott County Associational Missionary, presented a Bible to Rev. Mendum on behalf of the Forest Church, and Dr. W. E. Greene, President of Clarke Memorial College, led in the Ordination Prayer and gave the charge to Bro. Mendum and to the church. Fifteen ordained Deacons of the Forest Church were present for the laying on of hands. Mr. Mendum had the honor of having his father, a deacon in the Forest Church, among the deacons laying on hands. Rev. Roger Daniels was a member of the presbytery.

Rev. Mendum is a student at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary in New Orleans, and is Pastor of the Hays Creek Baptist Church of Franklinton, Louisiana.

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got a warrant signed by Sam Davis, the justice of the peace, and got the county attorney to call the undersheriff.

"Then we went to the filling station. We found a refrigerator full of liquor and several cases in a closet that was padlocked. The fellow who was working there didn't know what was coming off. He was scared stiff."

Mr. Goff said the ministers did not intend to enforce the law, but wanted to point out to officers who had said "we can't find the stuff" that it could be found.

"We hope for some enforcement now," he added.

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MISSISSIPPIANS WILL BE INTERESTED in knowing that a Mississippian, Dr. J. Niles Puckett, native of Columbus, and a member of the faculty of Grand Canyon Baptist College, Prescott, Arizona, was elected vice-president of the Arizona Baptist Convention at the recent meeting in Phoenix. Rev. S. M. (Happy) White, former pastor at Summit and now pastor of the First Church, Yuma, was elected a member of the Board of Trustees of Grand Canyon College.

Jackson Pastors Organize Conference

The Jackson Baptist Pastor's Conference met in the First Baptist Church, Wednesday noon, November 30, in an organizational meeting. Dr. Harold G. Basden, Pastor Calvary Baptist Church, was elected president; Rev. Clyde Davis, Pastor Alta Woods Baptist Memorial Church, Vice-President; Rev. L. Gordon Sansing, Pastor Davis Memorial Baptist Church, Secretary. The group will meet on Wednesday following the fourth Sunday of each month at noon in the First Baptist Church.

Those attending were: Dr. W. Douglas Hudgins, First Baptist Church; Rev. Wayne E. Todd, Daniel Memorial Baptist Church; Rev. S. W. Valentine, South Side Baptist Church; Rev. H. A. Milner, Van Winkle Baptist Church; Rev. W. Lowrey Comden, Calvary Baptist Church; Rev. Clyde Davis, Alta Woods Baptist Church; Rev. W. Lowrey Compere, North Side Baptist Church; Rev. Ira Metts, Midway Baptist Church; Dr. G. Norman Price, Parkway Baptist Church; Rev. L. W. Ferrell, Griffith Memorial Baptist Church; Rev. R. R. Newman, Elrairie Baptist Church; Dr. W. A. Hewitt, Pastor-Emeritus, First Baptist Church; Reid Moore, Minister of Music, First Baptist Church; Rev. L. Gordon Sansing, Davis Memorial Baptist Church.

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Pioneer, Wilkerson Co. Dedicates Building

Pioneer Church in Wilkerson County, Rev. H. D. McCool, pastor, dedicated its \$10,000 building on Thanksgiving day. The building is made of concrete blocks and is debt free.

On November 6 an all day meeting was held at the church in behalf of the debt on the building. Approximately \$1,000 was raised, making it possible for all notes to be paid on the debt. Rev. Sam Waggoner, associational missionary, preached at the morning service.

Following the dinner on the grounds, Rev. A. A. Ward, Centreville pastor, delivered the afternoon message.

Others taking part in the afternoon program were Dave Carter, chairman of the building committee; Mrs. Douglas McCurley, who expressed the appreciation of the church to the building and finance committees, and John Geter, who expressed words of appreciation for the pastor and his wife, and presented to the church a new Hammond Electric organ in honor of them.

The Rev. Mr. McCool led both Pioneer and Mt. Pleasant churches in building programs last year. Both buildings provide adequate auditorium and Sunday School facilities. During the same time, he also led Ebenezer church to purchase property for a church from the U. S. government.

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"SOUTHERN BAPTISTS USE THE Sunday school as a church agency, many others do not. Southern Baptists believe that all Sunday school officers and teachers should be selected and elected by the church; many others do not. Southern Baptists hold that all Sunday school officers and teachers should be members of the church of which the Sunday school is a part. Others do not."—J. N. Barnette, The Sunday School Builder.

REV. R. O. BANKSTON LEAVES SLAYDEN

Rev. R. O. Bankston has resigned the Slayden Church and is now living in his home in Clinton.

Mr. Bankston was pastor at Slayden and other churches in the northern part of the state for four years. During this time the church made much progress and there was a fine fellowship and cooperation between the pastor and members of the church. The Sunday School and Training Union were alive and continued in active service. The Woman's Missionary Union proved a great asset to the entire program of the Denominational work.

There were 40 additions to the church by profession. The contributions to all causes more than doubled. The church sends one fourth of the offerings to the Cooperative Program.

Mr. Bankston's plans are to supply and pastor churches wherever the Lord leads, and make his home at Clinton.

Boyd Watkins, the Church Treasury, sees that every family gets the Baptist Record. He is also on the lookout for a pastor.

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Oak Grove Calls Pastor; 22 Added In Revival

Rev. J. M. Bond has accepted the pastorate of Oak Grove Church in Winston County. In his first three weeks as pastor, during which time he led in a revival, there were 20 additions to the church, 20 by profession of faith and many re-dedications.

On the closing day of the revival the members served dinner on the grounds. Then together they cleaned the church lawn and cemetery and erected church signs on the highway in front of the church.

Mr. Bond is also pastor of the East Louisville Church.

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STURGIS NOTES PROGRESS WILL BUILD IN 1950

Sturgis Baptist Church has noted steady progress in every phase of its work during 1949. Every organization, with the possible exception of one, has expanded some during the year. Particularly has this been true in the W.M.U. organization. Young People's work has been added and interest is good in each Auxiliary. The charter for the John D. Freeman chapter of Junior R.A. is to be presented soon at a special meeting. Mission books have been taught to both the R.A. and G.A. Auxiliaries.

The greatest progress of the year has been noted in the church's preparation to build a new plant. Nearly \$5,000 was given and subscribed at a regular Sunday morning service in August, and since that time the fund has continued to grow. This, together with a few thousand dollars which was already in the fund, makes the outlook very good. A new site has been selected! a Sunday School Board plan brick building is to be erected; and the church has voted to build in 1950.

There have been 19 additions to the church thus far this year.

The church keeps the Cooperative Program in its budget in a substantial way, gives regularly to all specials, and has the EVERY FAMILY PLAN of the Baptist Record.

Rev. John E. Barrow is the pastor.

Mississippi Baptists — Your Secretary Says: "Love Never Fails." I Corinthians 13:8

**D. A. (Scotchie) McCall, Jr.,
Ordained To Baptist Ministry**



D. A. (SCOTCHIE) MCCALL, JR.

The ordination of D. A. (Scotchie) McCall, Jr., will be held at Southside Baptist Church, Jackson, Rev. Waddell Valentine, Pastor, this Saturday, December 10, at 7:45 o'clock in the evening. Friends of Christ everywhere are invited.

Ministers in the ordination Council are: Dr. W. E. Greene, President Clarke Memorial College, and also President Mississippi Baptist Convention; Rev. Gordon Sansing, Pastor Davis Memorial Baptist Church, Jackson; Rev. Homer Roberson, Pastor East Baptist Church, Greenville; Rev. Herman Milner, Pastor Van Winkle Baptist Church, Jackson; Rev. Clyde Davis, Pastor Alta Woods Baptist Church, Jackson; Rev. Barney Walker, Evangelist, Jackson; Rev. L. S. Polk, Pastor Eastside Baptist Church, Jackson; Rev. A. Estus Mason, Pastor South Side Baptist Church, Meridian; Rev. Thurman Boothe, Pastor Terry Baptist Church, Terry; Rev. Harold Jordan, Director Youth for Christ, Jackson; Dr. William P. Davis, Associate Executive Secretary Mississippi Baptist Convention Board, and Dr. D. A. McCall, Executive Secretary Mississippi Baptist Convention Board.

The Deacons of Southside Baptist Church, Jackson, will also be in the service.

Rev. Valentine, Pastor, will preside; Dr. Greene will preach the sermon; Evangelist Barney Walker, will deliver the charge; Rev. L. S. Polk will lead the Ordination prayer, and Dr. D. A. (Scotchie) McCall, Sr., will present the Bible. Others will also lead in the service which will last for about one hour.

Note to participating Pastors: Examining Council at 6:45.

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Other ways to joy: the proof and fruits of victory in Him: "sin not," Jesus is the way, keep His commandments, walk as He walked (certainly we go in His direction), love brother, forgiven sins, have known Him, victory over wicked one. What refreshing spiritual truth! More: doing the will of God, abide, continue, possession of eternal life! Doxology!

II

The Moody Evangelistic Conference has just closed. It was held at the great Gospel Tabernacle, Chicago. This was built by Paul Rader and seats 3,000. The attendance was not so large as some other conferences Thanksgiving week but nineteen states responded at one roll call alone. We heard some great messages and had some fine fellowship.

We were privileged to preach both Sundays and in between. The Conference was sponsored by The Sword of the Lord. As an adjunct to the Conference we were again favored with an opportunity to preach the gospel over WMEI, the popular Moody Bible Station. We had some good response.

The new book, "The Power of Pentecost" by Dr. John Rice is off the press. It is the best volume we have seen on the Holy Spirit. You will want a copy.

We have greatly enjoyed supplying at Tabernacle. We saw twenty-two or more walk the aisles for Christ. Six were baptized Sunday. A couple to be married that week were baptized together. Doxology!

Finer people we do not know anywhere!

III

Written Wednesday, 1949,
November 30

For two years we have felt the gentle and sure leadership of the Spirit of God in gradually turning us toward other fields of service. Two years ago we were greatly interested in an Arizona situation, making a second trip out there in seeking the sure will of the Lord. In every test He led us to stay in the present work. In conferences with scores of brethren we were encouraged to stay and some importuned in that direction.

Through the years we have made our mistakes but we feel we have never made one in the matter of changing fields. We want to continue in His will.

Some calls, while appreciated, did not grip us enough to demand serious consideration.

Another call came with an attendant urge. This time from Kentucky at a salary of \$9,000 and a \$30,000 home with field expense. It involved great opportunity and two trips were made just to make sure. We appreciated it but did not feel it was for us. The folks were great in the Spirit of Christ in inviting us for a revival after we had said "No" to the offer. Even Christians do not usually have that sort of spirit!

A request came for us to go into an evangelistic work that is well-nigh nation wide! (This is at our present salary level.) It has real appeal in scope and nature of work involved!

Still another call comes from a church serving in a section of a great city—with one hundred thousand (100,000) people within blocks around the church. Some leaders drive seven miles from various directions across the city.

One or two other possibilities are before us.

Some of our top (than whom there are no "topper") Mississippi Baptist leaders knowing of some of these offers and also of the fact that we did not feel unkindly toward the offers came to us in the Baptist Building months ago and all urged us, some with tears in their eyes, to "stay by the stuff" in Mississippi Baptist life. The most spiritual man we know was among them. All others present were God's good men!

Two years ago leaders pressed upon us to the effect we just must lead a campaign coming up just then.

We give you this picture to show you some of the problems under which we have labored.

IV

(Message delivered Tuesday evening to the Mississippi Baptist Convention by D. A. McCall)

When we came into this Mississippi Baptist work we purposed several things. Among them were the following:

1. We would be the servant of all in the Name of our blessed Christ who Himself came "not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give His life a ransom for many." Matthew 20:28. We said we would be secretary to all or to

none at all. We have failed in many things but we have tried to be helpful to those in the city, town, village, and rural sections!

2. We would live among the people. Jesus was our example in that. He was among the people! Read Matthew 4:12-25. Luke 4:1-44. John 11. Acts 1. The first year, 1939, we visited in 79 associations, making eight of them the second time that year. We have preached in every county in Mississippi. We have spoken in every larger church in the state and in hundreds of smaller ones.

3. We would keep evangelism first. We have not done nearly enough but we have held revivals, done personal soul winning, planned evangelistic conferences, written evangelistic tracts and sponsored their distribution in quantities numbering hundreds of thousands!

4. We practiced economies both personal and professional. Personally, we chose to drive low-priced automobiles. We chose to live in a modest priced home. We knew too much about the hardships endured by many pastors and church people to do otherwise.

Professionally, the records show that despite expanding work the percentage of overhead costs have reached an all time low. The records also show Mississippi's overhead to be well below the average in total.

5. We would by the grace of God and the cooperation of the brethren: (1) get rid of burdensome denominational debts; (2) do away with terrific Baptist Record losses; (3) lower overhead costs by, (a) getting rid of debts, (b) doing away with Baptist Record losses, (c) letting State Missions share the W. M. U. budget, (d) paying some overhead from the "R" account, (e) practicing economies all along the line, (f) carrying the load of work that should long ago have been shared with two or three other men.

6. Developing a great State Mission program. We had only four departments and they were not adequately supported. We now have twelve departments with larger budgets and more helpers.

7. We wanted to see an increase in giving: (1) first, more churches supporting all the work of Christ through the Cooperative Program. We have seen the number of cooperating churches grow from over 900 to over 1400; (2) more people increasing their own volume of giving through Scriptural tithes and offerings. We have thus seen total contributions through the office grow from \$200,000 to \$1,000,000, to \$1,500,000 to \$1,800,000. Doxology!

This and more was not without facing practical problems.

First, debts overshadowed everything! People talked debts. People wrote about debts. People fussed about debts. Baptists were defeated in their hearts. They had to be made to believe it could be done. They were divided in their ranks. A unity had to be brought about. Many were mad. A good will had to be generated. At first the interest could not be paid. However, debts were paid and paid ten years ahead of time saving \$300,000 in interest!

Second, the matter of transportation became acute. We could have sat in the office letting debts and evangelism go. We could have conducted a personal business on the side but we didn't. We could have bought personal cars, used them in Board service, charging mileage and coming out in possession of extra cars. Rather we represented the interest of Christ in the Convention Board. We let the Board have our personal car upon the request of the Executive Committee. We let them have another we might have kept as a good buy. God raised up England Motor Company, Greenville, to furnish the remainder of the transportation for His work during the war. Thus was another problem solved.

Third, the first years we had no mem-

ory for general promotion of the work. It would be difficult for us to show to you just how "dry" the treasury was at this point. We started the "E" account using monies placed in our hands by churches and individuals. Some said use it any way you want to. Others said keep it if you want to. Publicly and otherwise we repeatedly declined such monies for the most part for personal use. The need was too great. As a matter of good ethics we wanted to see it put into the work. We wanted to do the Lord's will in revivals without offerings being an issue. We wanted it used in helping reduce overhead.

We went over this state, end to end, side to side, morning, afternoon, night, in summer, winter, spring and fall, without regard to health, home, weather, or friends.

We tried to level up some things.

First, Baptist Record losses had taken probably \$18,000 from Foreign Missions. On our visit to South America in good will for Mississippi Baptists we left a few \$25.00 or \$50.00 checks with missionaries contacted. Churches and individuals also sent some by us.

Second, Southern Baptist leaders and State leaders have an agreement fixing certain W. M. U. budget items as chargeable against the Cooperative Program and other items to be carried by State Missions. Mississippi had taken so much Cooperative Program money we let State Missions help us catch up at this point.

Tens of thousands of Cooperative Program dollars before distribution went for Christian Education debt expenses. Where is conscience in that?

When debts were paid, when institutions were in good shape, when money was plentiful, we joined others in asking for an Assistant, preferably a layman to handle bookkeeping, finances, etc. During an emergency for Christ's sake we were willing to sacrifice health, the comfort of home, and fellowship with friends. Baptists are now on "easy street" by comparison!

We secured M. F. Rayburn, Meridian, to help in the emergency. He spoke to a mutual friend, a fine young layman, Grady Smith of Meridian-Jackson about this work but Grady was just getting established in his chosen field. We then felt out Mr. M. P. L. Berry about helping us but he was "placed." God not leading us at the time, successfully, to a layman, we turned to a fine pastor, William F. Davis, and he has performed sacrificially. Mississippi Baptists owe him much.

Incidentally, Virginia has been elected a treasurer this year. The first one elected declined. This but adds to the fact it is difficult to get a top layman to turn loose his field and enter this field.

Now, enough of "shop talk" about His work! I want to read Luke 23:32-49. Here we see Jesus dying for our sins. How will He act? The church generally has enough organizations but too little of the spirit of Christ! The church has institutions galore but not enough of the spirit of Christ! The church has volumes of literature but little of the spirit of Christ—particularly at this point!

They have misunderstood Jesus, fled upon Him, hunted and hounded Him, called Him an illegitimate child, arrested Him, tied Him, tried Him, spat upon Him, slapped Him, whipped Him, crowned Him with thorns and nailed Him to the Cross. Now they taunt Him, laugh at Him, curse Him! How is He acting? How will He conduct Himself?

Hear Him! At the start of His ministry He had preached, "Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you and persecute you." Matthew 5:44. Now He practices that He preaches, "Father, forgive them for they know not what

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The 1950 Calendar

On another page is being published the 1950 Calendar of Co-ordinated Denominational Activities for 1950.

Of course, everyone does or should understand that this is not compulsory, but it is prepared by a committee of Southern Baptist leaders and then submitted to the Southern Baptist Convention for approval. It is for the guidance and help of any who wish to use it.

We urge all of our readers to refer to it and read it carefully and then clip it out and keep it.

We are going to have a few extra copies of the Record printed and save them. Then two, three and four months from now when some brother writes in and asks about the calendar we shall simply attach a copy of the Record to his letter and mail it to him.

Keep your copy and thus avoid that embarrassment.

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Pastors Owe Courtesy To Neighbor Pastors

Much has been written about "Ministerial Ethics." Some of it was good; some otherwise. A recent article by Rev. W. C. Kirk of Nashville, Tenn., contains much food for thought. Space does not permit printing the article word for word but the main thoughts are reproduced below:

Our people in the pews instinctively hold high ideals for their pastors. It is true that even ministers are still mortal with feet of clay, but our people do not like for us to keep them so constantly reminded of that fact. They are persuaded better things of us, and we ought not to deliberately disappoint them.

The Pastor's ethical responsibility to other pastors within the denomination is most pronounced in the city where people live closely and are not thinking in terms of

ethical practices. Therefore, certain human laws should be observed, and my rights stop where and when they interfere with yours.

The following observations and suggestions may be helpful:

1. Much ethical disregard is sheer ego. Even if God has highly honored us by calling us into His ministry, we hold no monopoly in this field, and our ministry is not indispensable, especially to those who do not rightly belong to us. A pastor told me once that 75 per cent of his Extension Department whose names were upon his church roll, were closely visited by another pastor a few blocks from his own church. He said that the church paper and bus service of his neighbor were always in evidence in those homes to break down his own ministry to those who rightly belonged to him. Such high-handed disregard of ethics would not be countenanced even by rogues; yet under the cloak of piety it is perpetrated in the name of Christ.

2. We Baptist pastors are too much a group of Lone Eagles. Our boasted liberty easily degenerates into pious license.

I was pastor in a certain city where other Baptist churches were located some eight blocks from my pulpit in opposite directions. Periodically, both churches swept past my church, ringing door bells directly in front of my office and next door to my own church. Even at the parsonage the census takers and personal workers would plead with the passion of an evangel for me to join their church, and ignore my own church almost next door. Only when I told them where I was pastor would they desist.

3. In over-lapping church communities, it is inevitable that a pastor—especially while still new on the field—will find himself in a home where the people belong to his neighbor. I always make such a visit "short and sweet" with explanation that I did not know such was the case. Then immediately I begin complimenting their own church and pastor. I get out and away as quickly and as graceful as possible. I sometimes wonder if some of my fellow ministers are utterly devoid of all ethical concept, to say nothing of old-fashioned honesty and fair play.

4. A pastor should stay out of the homes of people be-

longing to other ministers except on rare occasions—and then only by invitation or the knowledge and approval of that pastor. One of my deacons said to me recently, "Oh, say! did you see Brother Blank at our church last Sunday? He and his family are very unhappy in their church and are considering joining our church. A visit from you would get them." I took the prospect's name and address, not to visit, but to be sure to avoid that house in my visiting. I explained to my well meaning deacon that I had no right to go into that home; that it belongs to my brother in the ministry.

5. When a pastor resigns a field he should stay resigned and not break his successor's heart and keep the affections of the flock divided. To keep one's thumb stuck in the new pastor's pie is to make an unpalatable plate for all concerned. To advise adversely or to comment critically upon the present program of your successor is as good as Satan wants.

Or, to hover around for funeral or wedding invitations is lamentable.

No former pastor should officiate in weddings or funerals belonging to his successor except with the present pastor's cooperation and approval—and rarely then.

6. Retired ministers often tried. Retired pastors should be slow to move back to former pastorates. Former ties of love and fellowship so easily spring up into very real problems—for the present pastor. A retired preacher, especially a former pastor of a flock, can be a benediction or a bleeding to his successor; a heartening influence or a heartache. To live among one's former members while another pleads, without complications is the supreme test of ethical conduct, but it can be done. There are among us today many happy cases of such. But, as a rule, it is risky business.

The vast majority of us are trying to be square in playing according to the rules. It is my conviction that, as in a ball game, when foul play is indulged in, it should be called and the offender shown up.

I do not plead for an arbitrary "Blue Book" of rules, regulations and thou-shalt-nots. But physically, mentally, morally and ETHICALLY we ministers should be the cleanest group on earth, not

only in euphonic ideals but in down-to-earth everyday practices.

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The Baptist Record Is Widely Circulated

While the Baptist Record is primarily for Mississippi Baptists, it is circulated in all parts of the world and evidently is widely read according to a letter from Dr. W. H. Baylor, who is the author of the series of articles printed in recent issues of the Record entitled, "Some Don'ts for Young Preachers."

Dr. Baylor writes:

"You will be interested to learn by the enclosed letter that through your paper I have a request for my 'Don't' from far away Sweden. Indeed, since you published my first one and called attention to the booklet I have had a flood of requests from Mississippi to all of which I have responded with the booklet."

It seems that the request for the booklet by a Swedish pastor was the result of a Baptist Record sent to the Swedish pastor by one of the Mississippi Baptists who went to the Youth Congress in Stockholm, Sweden. The letter follows: Dear Dr. W. H. Baylor:

Today I have read in the Baptist Record some of your Don'ts for Young Preachers and then I thought that it would be very interesting to have the booklet. Will you please send me a copy of your Don'ts for Young Preachers.

I have been a Baptist minister here in Sweden for 15 years. I have never been to U.S.A. but twice to England for about two months each time.

At the Third Young Baptist World Congress in Stockholm last August I met a lot of people from U. S. A. and one of your folk sent me a copy of The Baptist Record and so I got to know about your booklet.

I am yours sincerely,
(s) JOSEF BOTHZEN

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THE FOUNDATION FOR ALL CHRISTIAN service is a superabundant conviction of the value to God of every human life. Pause on your way and look straight into the most degraded face you meet, and remember that soul is as dear to God as you are. If we can come to feel this, and know it; if it can become part of our very life, then we shall sing when that soul comes home, and count contact with defilement as a precious thing if it means that we are helping that one back to purity and to God.—G. Campbell Morgan, in THE PARABLE OF THE FATHER'S HEART (Revell).

"A TRUE CHURCH IS COMPOSED of saved people. They range in age from the little child to the oldest adult. They come from all classes of society. At the foot of the cross this group of people we call a church is a classless society. The greatest need of every member is to grow in the image of Christ and to follow him in faithful service."—J. E. Lambdin, The Baptist Training Union Magazine.

Luther Litchfield Ordained

Rev. Luther S. Litchfield was ordained to the gospel ministry on the evening of October 26 in the Poplar Springs Drive Church, Meridian. Rev. W. B. Abel, former pastor of Poplar Springs Drive Church under whose ministry Luther accepted Christ and surrendered his life for full time Christian Service, preached the ordination sermon. Dr. David Q. Byrd, present pastor, had charge of the service and presented the Bible. Carlless Evans led the Ordination Prayer.

Mr. Litchfield is a senior at Mississippi College and pastor of the Little Bethel Church, Tallulah, Louisiana. He represents the fourth generation of preachers in his family. The Bible from which Brother Abel read during the service, has been in the Stephens' family for 118 years.

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MAN WHO HELPED TEXAS BAPTISTS RAISE MILLIONS SOON TO RETIRE

EL PASO, Tex.—(BP)—Dr. J. W. Bruner, modest preacher whose work as endowment secretary for the Baptist General Convention of Texas has guided millions into Baptist institutions and work, has announced his retirement for the near future.

Bespectacled, deliberate Dr. Bruner said a lot of the big gifts received by his department—in which he was a one-man staff and whose salary has been \$6,292 a year—came simply from giving men of wealth "information." "A lot of people," he said, "thought I went around asking for money. I never asked people for money. I simply showed them what they could do with their money for the promotion of Christianity."

An idea of the work of Dr. Bruner is indicated in this paragraph from a report given at the meeting of the convention:

"In 1940 all of the institutions had a total of \$6,519,408.98 in endowment; these same institutions are reporting \$18,094,481.21 this year. In 1940 the Baptist schools and hospitals had a total property value of \$13,304,780.31. In 1949 the property value of the schools and hospitals is \$29,153,035.16.

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ADVENTISTS TO VISIT SIX MILLION HOMES

ST. LOUIS—(RNS)—Seventh-day Adventists in this country plan to visit 6,000,000 homes in 1950, it was announced here at the denomination's annual fall conference. The mass visitation will take place on March 4, June 3 and September 2.

Plans for the visitation were explained to church leaders by Elder Lemuel E. Esteb of South Lancaster, Mass., who declared "It is time for religion to put on its boots and walk out to where the people are."

Unprecedented Adventist growth was reported by W. R. Beach of Berne, Switzerland, who said that membership in the Southern European Division had doubled to 62,000 in three years.

G. A. Lindsay of Stockholm, Sweden, reported that the Northern European Division, which he heads, had also grown. In Poland, he said, membership has trebled since 1946. In Iceland, the Adventists are second in numbers only to the State Lutheran Church.

(Editor's Note: VISITATION PAYS.)

Southern Baptist Convention Calendar CO-ORDINATED DENOMINATIONAL ACTIVITIES FOR 1950

January
Special Bible Study Week.
Church Schools of Missions Emphasis.
The Theological Seminaries.
W.M.U. Training School.
Student Life - Commitment Day, January 15.
February
Baptist World Alliance Sunday and Offering, February 5.
Y.W.A. Focus Week, February 5-11.
Student Evangelistic Week, February 12-18.
March
Home Missions.
W.M.U. Week of Prayer for Home Missions and Annie Armstrong Offering, February 27-March 3.
Training Union Study Courses.
Home and Foreign Missions Day in Sunday School and Offering, March 26.
April
Relief and Annuity Board (and Offering for the Relief of Aged Ministers).
Christian Literature and Church Libraries.
Training Union Youth Week in the Church, April 2-9.
Southern Baptist Simultaneous Revivals (west of Mississippi River), April 9-23.
May
G. A. Focus Week, May 7-13.
Christian Home Week, May 7-14.
W.M.U. Annual Meeting, May 8-9.
Southern Baptist Convention, May 9-12.
June
Cooperative Program and Special Offering, Sunday, June 11 (or nearest convenient Sunday).
Christian Education.
Vacation Bible Schools.
Ridgecrest, State Assemblies, and Camps.
July
Ridgecrest, State Assemblies, and Camps.
Volunteer Summer Service by Students.

MILWAUKEE STORES PUT 'CHRIST INTO CHRISTMAS' Women and Public Opinion Responsible For Campaign

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—(RNS)—Milwaukee storekeepers are making greater efforts to "put Christ into Christmas" this year than at any time in the past. They are doing so because of a campaign undertaken two months ago by the Milwaukee Archconfraternity of Christian Mothers.

More than 200 of Milwaukee's merchants are cooperating in the effort, according to leaders of the campaign. Posters and displays depicting the Nativity scene will be shown in many stores. The slogan, "Put Christ into Christmas" will be displayed on theater and hotel marquees and by the Electric Co.

"Public opinion is responsible for this campaign," said Mrs. Joseph N. Misany, a member of the speakers' panel of the confraternity, whose 500 members are leading the drive.

"People are realizing that the Christmas feast has been degenerating into a worldly, instead of a spiritual feast," Mrs. Misany said. "Pressure has come from a lot of people, Catholic and non-Catholic. They believe it would benefit their own families."

There are 45,000 women, spread throughout 10 counties of the Milwaukee area, who are backing the drive.

Pastors and laymen have visited

dents.

Summer Revivals.
Baptist World Alliance, Cleveland, Ohio, July 22-27.

August
Ridgecrest, State Assemblies, and Camps.

Summer Revivals.
Sunbeam Focus Week, August 6-12.

September
Southern Baptist and State Foundations.

State Sunday School Planning Meetings.

W.M.U. Season of Prayer for State Missions and Offering (as promoted by the state W.M.U.).

Student Join-the-Church Day (Sunday following college opening).

October

Sunday School Training Courses.

State Papers and Missionary Magazines.

Stewardship, Tithing, and Every-Member Canvass.

Church Sunday School Planning Meetings.

Layman's Day, October 8.

State Mission Day in Sunday School and Offering, October 22.

November

Christian Stewardship Week, October 30-November 5.

Enlistment Day and Every-Member Canvass, November 5 (or nearest convenient Sunday).

R. A. Focus Week, November 5-11.

Orphanage Day and Offering, November 19.

December

Foreign Missions.

Every-Member Canvass (completed).

Southwide Simultaneous Associational Training Union Meetings, December 4.

W. M. U. Week of Prayer for Foreign Missions and Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, December 4-8.

Student Night at Christmas, December 31.

many of the city's department stores with posters depicting the Nativity. They have urged the firms to emphasize the spiritual side of the Advent season and Christmas.

"We're about ready for something like this," she said. "We must become more Christ-minded about Christmas. We have permitted commercialism to creep in too long, by stressing the exchange of gifts without giving the reason."

"We have given prominence to a worldly Santa Claus and we have entirely left out the thought of the birth of the Savior."

Cards will be carried on buses, street cars and in at least 250 city taxicabs, and posters will be displayed at gasoline stations.

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UNIQUE FORMATS CHARACTERIZE

two of the latest tracts published by the American Tract Society, 21 West 40th Street, New York 19, N. Y. "Portal to Portal," one of these tracts, is sure to attract attention. In appearance it is a modern house door, with no title or other printing on its face. The reader opens it to confront a clear Gospel message. The other "different" tract is "Who's Who in Heaven," which simulates a book and tells how one may become listed in "The Book of Life."

MISSISSIPPI BAPTISTS

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they do."

There were those who had hounded Him, lying about Him, hiring false witnesses against Him, and He prays for them, "Father, forgive them." There are members of the mob milling about the foot of the Cross hurling bitter jibes and epithets into His teeth and He prays for them, "Father, forgive them." There were those whose hands wove the crown of thorns and drove them down upon His head until thorns ate and tore their several ways through His scalp and he prays, "Father, forgive them." We sing, "See from His head, His hands, His feet, Sorrow and love flow mingled down. Did ever such love and sorrow meet, or thorns compose so rich a crown?" Hallelujah! There were those who took His hands, hands that had never hurt or harmed anyone, hands that had written words of forgiveness upon the ground in the presence of the woman taken in sin, hands that waved Lazarus back to life, hands that had broken the bread to the thousands, hands that had broken up funeral processions—they tied those hands—Jesus prays, "Father, forgive them." Soldiers had placed Him upon the Cross, and taken nails with jagged edges placing them against His hands and feet and with hard hammers drove them in. Jesus prays, "Father, forgive them."

Oh, are we big enough Christians to do what Jesus did in forgiveness? Have we reached our level? Does God know He had to withhold further blessings because He knows He cannot trust us with additional riches of grace? He has so wonderfully led us! He has so marvelously blessed us! Read the story of progress in the Convention Bulletin. His grace overflows and exceeds that, however!

May God help us to be Christ-like! We dare not go into pulpits and preach that we will not practice! That is rebellion against God! That is sin! That is blasphemy!

We learned a great lesson from the dedication to a task on the part of the sweetheart of our life. Our son was nearly two years of age. One day Mrs. McColl came saying, "I have had news for you. Scotchie, Jr., has rheumatic fever." I did not then know what rheumatic fever was. I now know what rheumatic fever is! The boy must stay in bed—no play time! He must be fed, clothed, doctored, kept happy, entertained. She told me to go ahead with my work. Months passed. She dedicated herself day and night to that little helpless boy. He grew pale. He had a blood transfusion, appendix removed, tonsils removed. For one and one-half years he stayed in bed. For one year he was convalescent. The folks of Jackson and Philadelphia were so good, so gracious. I learned from the sweetheart of my life the value of staying by a task. Oh, it paid dividends. Now he is a lad of nineteen, a soul winner, a ministerial student! May God make us all worthy and as big as we ought to be!

"Have you prayed all night, Till the break of day, And the morning light Drove the dark away? Did you linger there, Till the morning dew, In prevailing prayer—Did you pray it through?"

"Did you pray it through Till the answer came? There's a promise true For your faith to claim; At the place of prayer Jesus waits for you, Did you meet Him there, Did you pray it through?"

"As the Master prayed In the garden lone, Let your prayer be made To the Father's throne; If you seek His will He will answer you; Are you trusting still, Have you prayed it through?"

"Did you pray till the answer came, Did you plead in the Saviour's name? Have you prayed all night till the morning light, Did you pray till the answer came?"

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

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"I am in sympathy with your desire for an enlarged budget for B. S. U. I feel that B. S. U. is one of our greatest opportunities. You are in my prayers regularly as you lead in this great undertaking," writes one of our pastors, not in a college center . . . Blue Mountain's Thanksgiving program, a copy of which we've received, is very attractive and must have been good. Rosalind Owens gave the "Thanksgiving Meditation" . . . Someone has said that genius is a perception of the obvious which nobody else sees. And another has said that ignorance is one thing that costs even more than education does . . . The lives of young people and the future for them, as well as for all the rest of us, depends in large measure upon what we are doing or will do for young people, including students, NOW . . . Almost everything that is great has been done by youth.—Benjamin Disraeli . . . Some of our pastors are already seeing and writing us about Youth Revivals for next year. Pray that we may lead aright in this movement whose potential is marvelous but whose dangers are numerous . . . Millsaps is the first college in the nation to complete a fund-raising campaign for International Christian University, Japan . . . All pastors, please note: if you have not received your Student

Night at Christmas suggestions, please write the Student Dept., Baptist Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn. We have a limited supply in the State Office which we'll be glad to distribute on the basis of "first come, first served" . . . Jones Jr. BSUs have recently put on programs at Beacon, Centerville, Hebron, and Clara Churches. They plan to take such programs to surrounding churches twice each month throughout the school year . . . When children begin to say, "Yes, ma'am," to the teacher once again, the juvenile delinquency problem will be on its way to solution.—Selected . . . "When I spoke to 800 students in a state university I was informed that the Bible should not be mentioned in the school. The same afternoon I was invited to talk to about 800 men in the State Penitentiary, and the warden asked me to give them the Bible truth."—Albert E. Aldrich . . . Some people are all front door. Open that door and you are out in the back yard—they are that shallow.—Clyde Wildman, President, DePauw University . . . M28 equals SSM: sometime, according to the Committee leading, we'll reveal what this equation means, but in the meantime please pray and work for our Student Summer Mission Campaign. Give only "over and above" to K. Give sacrificially . . .

CALENDAR OF PRAYER

- December 12—"M" Night for Association Training Unions; Mrs. Alice Turnage, Waldhall W.M.U. Associational Young People's leader.
- December 13—Dr. Charlie Treadway, Bolivar County Convention Board member; Dr. A. L. Gatewood, president, Miss. Radio Committee.
- December 14—Dr. Norman Price, Blue Mountain College trustee; J. B. Simmons, Clarke College faculty.
- December 15—Miss Eunice Sandlin, Office Secretary, Baptist Convention Board; Mrs. G. C. Hankins, Smith W.M.U. Associational Young People's leader.
- December 16—John D. Morrow, Frontiers Associational B.T.U. Director; E. L. Compere, Rankin Associational Sunday School Superintendent.
- December 17—H. E. Greener, Superintendent, Baptist Memorial Hospital, Memphis; Mrs. John G. Detroy, Jr., Blue Mountain College faculty.
- December 18—Student Night at Christmas.

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Oakland Grove Progresses

Oakland Grove Church in Jones County has made remarkable progress during the past year. After months without a pastor and only part time Sunday School, they began half-time work in January and in April, launched into a full-time program. Since that time they have had 38 additions, 26 by baptism.

Pastor John C. Hilburn states that the church is in the midst of a stewardship awakening. On the last Sunday in November 35 families promised to begin daily family devotionals. The church is now in a two-year building program which includes new Sunday School room, furnishing the auditorium, now under construction, and a new parsonage.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary PAUL D. BOOTHE, Associate
 MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary
 MRS. F. C. FRENCH, Office Secretary

SOME DALLAS SPEAKERS



DR. W. A. CRISWELL

Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Dallas, Texas, will be one of the speakers at the Convention-wide Conference, in Dallas, December 27-30.



DR. R. G. LEE

Dr. R. G. Lee, pastor of the Bellevue Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, and president of the Southern Baptist Convention will be one of the speakers for the Dallas Conference.



DR. R. PAUL CAUDILL

Dr. R. Paul Caudill, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Memphis, Tennessee, will also be one of the speakers for the Dallas Sunday School Conference, December 27-30.

THE DALLAS CONFERENCE

One entire session of the Convention-wide Sunday School Conference in Dallas, Texas, December 27-30, will be used for a practical discussion of "Better Workers."

Some of the conferences and discussions will be led by Dr. W. A. Criswell, pastor, First Baptist Church, Dallas; Dr. W. R. Pettigrew, pastor, Walnut Street Baptist Church, Louisville, Kentucky; Dr. J. H. Landes, pastor, First Baptist Church, Wichita Falls, and Dr. John Haldeman, pastor, Allapath Baptist Church, Miami, Florida.

AND AGAIN

One of the attractive and helpful features of the Convention-wide Sunday School Conference in Dallas, Texas, December 27-30, will be a testi-

mony by Dr. E. H. Westmoreland, pastor, Main Street Baptist Church, Houston, Texas, as to how this church provided in their \$800,000 educational building a place for every member of every family.

The first week of October the Sunday school of this church occupied the new building, setting up seven Nurseries and four Adult departments with thirty-four classes.

JANUARY BIBLE WEEK

The book Studies in Acts is now in the book stores. Leaders planning to observe the January Bible Study Week will desire to place their orders immediately, so that the book store involved will have time to see that the books are in the churches for distribution at least one week in advance.

ONE BAPTISM FOR EACH 10 MEMBERS IS FLORIDA AIM

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla.—(BP)—

One baptism for every ten resident church members is the 1950 goal of Florida Baptists, according to W. G. Stracener, editor of the Florida Baptist Witness, in his report of the annual meeting of the Florida Baptist State Convention held here. Other evangelistic plans voted by the messengers include a state-wide evangelistic conference in January, a goal of 36 new churches, and a missionary address in each church in the state during the first three months of the year.

The group adopted a Cooperative Program Goal of \$732,427.83—a five per cent increase over 1949—which will be divided 50-50 between state and Southwide causes. Each church was asked to increase its gifts to the Cooperative Program by at least five per cent over 1949, and all non-budget churches were requested to make a special offering to the Cooperative Program in 1950, its silver anniversary.

A change in the convention constitution permits a person to be elected president for a second term after a lapse of one year, if the convention should so desire. Another change limits each church to ten messengers. A \$100,000 religious center building at Stetson University was voted.

Dr. Millard J. Berquist, First Church, Tampa, was elected president.

EDUCATION AND MUSIC DIRECTORS NOW HAVE QUARTERLY PERIODICAL

IDEA, a quarterly periodical published by the Inter-Directors Exchange Association, in the interest of the work of the Education and Music Directors of the churches in the Southern Baptist Convention, has made its appearance in its second issue and now seems to be a firmly established medium for the exchange of workable plans and programs.

Any person preparing for or actively engaged in the direction of the Religious Education or Music Program is eligible for membership upon payment of \$1.50 fee to IDEA Headquarters, 4110 Youree Drive, Shreveport, La. All members will receive a quarterly issue of IDEA and will be required to submit at least one tried and proved idea during the year for possible publication. Any other worker may subscribe to IDEA by remitting the sum of \$2.00.

Volume 2 is dedicated to Dr. J. M. Price, whose portrait appears on the front cover, together with a picture of the new "J. M. Price Hall" at Southwestern Seminary.

Complimentary copy will be sent on request to anyone interested.

Officers of the Inter-Directors Exchange Association are Harold A. Souther, President, and Shelby M. Fly, Vice President, both full-time Educational and Music Directors.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD APPRECIATES a nice list of renewal subscriptions from Gooden Lake Church. The list was sent by Mrs. Noel Rice.

40 & 25 YEARS AGO

By REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.
 40 YEARS AGO

The Oryka Church received 16 for baptism, Pastor J. H. Lane doing the preaching.

The First Church, Grenada, closed a revival meeting, Pastor W. F. Roberts doing the preaching, which resulted in 33 professions of faith. The church, consisting of 162 members, had contributed the previous year \$1,419.26; and the ladies had contributed (not included in above) \$1,541.41. Pastor re-called for another year at a salary of \$1,000.00.

25 YEARS AGO

Superintendent G. O. Dorris of the Adult Bible Class of the Chunky Church reports an increase in enrollment from 25 to 75 during a recent contest, with an average attendance of 80 percent. Mrs. J. H. Harris was "the efficient teacher."

The Macedonia Church received 17 into their membership by baptism from a meeting in which Pastor A. C. Parker was assisted by Rev. A. L. O'Brian. Their new church house, costing around \$4,000, just completed.

Pastor T. J. Waldrop reports a meeting with the Troupe Baptist Church in a mill town, Jasper County, where Rev. W. E. Hellen helped, resulting in eight additions by baptism. They went from there to County Lane, Jones County, with the same line-up of workers, and at the end of the week 26 were buried with Christ in baptism.

Rev. S. J. Rhodes reports a fine meeting in the Rocky Creek Church, near Lucedale, in which he led the singing and the young people's activities and Dr. R. W. Langham of Newton, Ala., did the preaching, which resulted in 16 being added to the membership.

OUR CHURCHES DO NOT NEED A finer showmanship, but a deeper discipleship.

YOU CANNOT MAKE A NATION Christian by amending its constitution.

The Forest Church Goes Forward New Building Occupied

Sunday, November 6 was a great day to the members of the Forest Church. On that day a Love Offering for new pews was taken. The amount to be raised for the pews, before January 1, is \$7,300. Of this amount, \$5,824 was brought to the church on November 6. Other gifts have been given since that Sunday bringing the balance to be raised less than eight hundred dollars. This was truly a Love Offering, with approximately one hundred and ninety envelopes turned in.

The work at the Forest Church goes forward under the splendid leadership of the Pastor, Rev. N. F. Davis, Jr. Mr. Davis came to the Forest Church on August 1. Since that time there have been forty additions to the church, seven for baptism. Enrollments in Sunday School and Training Union are steadily increasing. A budget of \$20,700 was adopted for the church year. Receipts since August 1 have been \$15,856.

On October 16, to the strains of "Onward Christian Soldiers" played from the Methodist Church over the loudspeaker, members of the Baptist Church marched in a body from the old church built in 1918 into the new \$180,000 structure just completed. The procession was led by Mr. Davis, pastor. As the group assembled in the new auditorium, class rooms were assigned by T. G. McCormick, superintendent of the Sunday School. It was fitting that on the first day in the new church a revival should begin. Rev. Davis' text for the first sermon was from Exodus 14:15: "And the Lord said unto Moses, wherefore criest thou unto me? Speak unto the children of Israel, and that they go forward."

S. C. Doty is Music Director and Mrs. Peggy Mapp is Church Secretary. Mr. Doty has been with the church two years and Mrs. Mapp has just completed her fourth year.

Religious Liberty Asked For Spanish Protestants

WINNIPEG—(RNS)—A declaration that the Roman Catholic Church, if it is to expect sympathy in its fight against Communism, must give religious liberty to Protestants in Spain, was made in an address to the Canadian Council of Churches here by Dr. Gordon A. Sisco, secretary of the General Council, United Church of Canada.

"It is apparent that if the Roman Catholic Church is to enlist our support and the sympathy of Western democracies in its struggle for religious freedom," he said, "it must do something about the denial of religious freedom by predominantly Roman Catholic countries of the West."

"This issue will not down, and enlightened Roman Catholics are aware of it and grieved by it. The truth is that Roman Catholicism is strongest and freest in those very countries which, after long and bitter experience, have granted full religious liberty to all churches."

"To refuse to extend that principle in Western Europe and in South America is bound to weaken the Roman Church and divide the forces of Christendom at a time of grave peril."

Blue Mountain College

Dr. William A. Hoppe, head of the department of music at Blue Mountain College, advises that the combined choirs of Mississippi State College and Blue Mountain College will give Handel's Messiah at both colleges in December. The Blue Mountain orchestra will accompany. The combined choir will sing at Blue Mountain College Dec. 11, and at Mississippi State, Dec. 13.

Miss Betty Jane Boland, Tralake, who graduated from Blue Mountain College in 1947 and majored in music here, has become a member of the music faculty of the Memphis College of Music which is the music department of Southwestern in Memphis.

Students chosen by the extracurricular groups at Blue Mountain College to typify the "new girl" are: Melba Gene Blanks, Greenwood, Modenian; Miriam Stacy, Tupelo, Euzellian; Kathryn Holland, Calhoun City, Euzellian.

Carolyn Powell, Liberty, who graduated at Blue Mountain in 1944 served as associate professor in the department of speech at the University of Mississippi the past summer.

Rev. C. J. Olander, Morgan City, has just reserved a room at Blue Mountain College for his granddaughter, Ruth Ellen Dacus, born October 20. Mrs. Dacus is the former Mary Jo Olander, an alumna of Blue Mountain College.

Dr. William A. Hoppe, head of the music department of Blue Mountain College, has returned from Oxford where he attended a special meeting of the music committee, of which he is chairman, that was appointed by the Mississippi senior colleges last summer. The purpose of the committee is to recommend a music curriculum to the colleges.

Miss Bonita Godwin, Blue Mountain, a graduate of Blue Mountain College is now a member of the staff of Walter Reed Hospital, Bethesda, Md., serving as administrative director of tumor registry. She has had extensive experience in cancer clinics, having served on the staff of Dozier Hospital in Columbus, Miss., prior to her present position.

Two States Complete Reports On Associational Progress

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—Virginia and New Mexico this week became the first two states to complete reports from every association for the Department of Survey, Statistics, and Information tabulation on Southern Baptist statistics. Porter Routh, secretary of the department, has announced.

More than 700 of the 961 associations in the Southern Baptist Convention have already sent in reports, Routh reported. Mr. Routh hopes that a complete report can be obtained by December 1 when the final totals will be tabulated.

During the past week an IBM tabulator has been installed in the department to give Southern Baptists the most modern statistical equipment. Cards are now punched on each individual church so a larger number of studies may be made showing the needs and progress of Southern Baptist churches.

Department of Temperance Activities

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SOME GLEANINGS ON BEVERAGE ALCOHOL

It is estimated that seventy-five per cent of all adult men and fifty-five per cent of all adult women in America are drinking beverage alcohol.

More than 12,000 people die every year from chronic alcoholism.

There are at least 600,000 women of our nation who are alcoholics.

There are four million excessive users of alcohol.

For the past two or three years \$150,000,000 has been spent annually advertising beverage alcohol and several years ago this amount was \$100,000,000 per year.

There is an increased effort on the part of the manufacturer of strong drink to convince the American housewives that beverage alcohol is an accepted part of American life.

The following is a quotation taken from HERE ARE THE FACTS by Hugh A. Brimm: "The latest sales promotion techniques of the United States Brewer's Foundation in the advertising field is the use of their HOME SERIES of pictures. One trade journal has pointed out that outstanding artists have been employed to produce the pictures, they are painted on location in various parts of the country, local models used, and as much authentic detail as possible is included."

The object is to associate beer with the home and show it as an accepted part of American life. The scope of advertising as officially announced to the trade will reach a combined cir-

ulation of 18,000,000 with an estimated reader potential of 72,000,000. It is claimed that these beer advertisements will touch one out of every two homes in America."

BEVERAGE ALCOHOL AND VENEREAL DISEASE

The widespread use of beverage alcohol among teen age boys and girls of America accounts for most of the loose morals and venereal disease that has become a tremendous problem in our national life. There are more than one and one-half million new cases of venereal disease annually. According to one survey in California there has been an increase of more than 125 per cent of venereal disease among young people in their teen age during the past few years.

In a report made to the Southern Governor's Conference meeting in Biloxi, Mississippi, a few days ago it was pointed out that \$11,000,000 had been spent during the last year to combat this dreaded disease. It was also estimated that it will take \$13,000,000 next year.

Syphilis is killing more than 100,000,000 people a year in America. It accounts for one out of every ten cases of insanity. Time loss to working men and women because of this disease amounts to more than \$180,000,000 a year.

It is high time that God's people in Christian America wake up and attack these evils. At the very foundation of all our trouble is the beverage alcohol traffic.



Shown above are the Freshman class officers at Blue Mountain College. Left to right: President, Mary Martha McClain, Quincy, Fla.; Treasurer, Jane Haggard, Columbus; Secretary, Alice Donnell, Blue Mountain; Vice President, Emma Holmes, Tupelo.

CHAS. F. SIMS IS EXEC. SECY OF S. C. BAPTISTS

COLUMBIA, S. C.—(BP)—The South Carolina Baptist Convention here in the newly remodeled First Baptist Church, the only surviving building in which the Secession Convention met, set a 1950 Cooperative Program goal of \$1,800,000. Messengers to the convention voted to spend \$6,500,000 on a new combined campus for Furman University and the Woman's College of Furman University—\$3,500,000 to come from the Cooperative Program and \$3,000,000 from private subscriptions. North Greenville Junior College, formerly owned and operated by the North

Greenville Association, was offered to the convention, and the matter was referred to its general board.

Future plans adopted at the meeting include a state-wide evangelistic conference in March and participation in the 1951 Eastern Evangelistic Campaign. The method of electing a general executive secretary-treasurer was changed from nomination on the convention floor to nomination by the general board and from a one-year term to an indefinite period of time.

Dr. Charles F. Sims was elected executive secretary to succeed the late Dr. W. S. Brooke. Dr. A. E. Tibbs, Dean of Furman University, was elected president.

— BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT —

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary

EDWINA MAY, Office Secretary

Lamar County Organizes

Associational Brotherhood Work
Lamar County, the newest of our Associations in the state, took another forward step last evening. The men from the various churches met for an Associational Brotherhood Rally at Oral, at which time, the Brotherhood Secretary was privileged to speak. The Association, at its first annual meeting this Fall, elected an Associational Brotherhood president who is Mr. P. T. Hubanks of Oloh Church. They voted last evening to complete the organization and asked the chairman to appoint a nominating committee to secure a full corps of officers. Their next meeting is to be on Tuesday evening, March 7, at Sumrall.

The ladies of the Oral Church served a delicious chicken supper and not a single man refused to eat.

We are greatly encouraged by the fine spirit of cooperation exhibited by this, our newest Association.

Oral Brotherhood Very Active

The Oral Brotherhood, with Rev. F. H. Rogers, pastor, has been very active since the organization was per-

sected. One of their first projects was to plant a cotton patch, the proceeds of which went into the new parsonage. They harvested six bales of cotton. The men did the work in planting, cultivating, and harvesting. In cooperating with the entire church membership, they almost have their beautiful new parsonage completed. The women are, as usual, doing more than their part of this worthy project.

Sumrall and Oloh Reorganize

Their Brotherhoods

The Sumrall Church, with Rev. E. M. Bilbo, pastor, and the Oloh Church, with Rev. G. T. Taylor, pastor, have recently reorganized their Brotherhoods and feel that they are on their way to a fruitful ministry. We have noted with a great deal of interest that whenever a church organizes a Brotherhood one time, they will continue to have a Brotherhood. The organization may become inactive for a period, as many other organizations do, but in due time, another one is formed and usually has no trouble functioning properly with a new start. A Brotherhood never dies.

PLEASANT GROVE HAS
THANKSGIVING SERVICE
Church Receives Proceeds
From God's Acre Project

A Thanksgiving service was held in which members of the 100-year-old Pleasant Grove Church in Grenada County met to present the proceeds from each acre of land which had been dedicated to God. One check from a silver-haired man was for \$168; others were equally as worthy.

The service was preceded by a supper at the church and a film, "The Good Samaritan." A selected reading on Thanksgiving were given.

Pleasant Grove Church has recently been repaired and painted, new pews have been furnished, Sunday School rooms added and the floors have been finished.

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IF WE PRAYED MORE, WE WOULD
criticize less.

DR. BARTON TO SPEAK AT
DANIEL MEMORIAL DEC. 11

Dr. L. E. Barton, A.M.D.D., Minister, Author, Publicist and Official Parliamentarian of the Southern Baptist Convention, is to speak at Daniel Memorial Church, on December 11, at 11:00, on the subject, "Brains, Bibles, and Ballots."

Dr. Barton is the author of three books, and a member of the Eugene Field Society of Authors and Poets. He is recorded in Who's Who in America, the Author's and Writer's Who's Who of London, Who's Who in American Clergyman, and in the Encyclopedia of World Biography. He is frequent contributor to theological magazines and religious weeklies.

Rev. Wayne E. Todd is the Daniel Memorial pastor.

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NOTHING DOES NOT PRODUCE
love; love prompts nothing.

Southwestern Seminary
Adds Two To Faculty

Two new members were named to the faculty of Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary by the trustees in their annual meeting, November 20.

They are Dr. Jesse J. Northcutt, who will become head of the Department of Systematic Theology, and William Curtis Vaughan, who will be an instructor in New Testament.

Dr. Northcutt, a native of Oklahoma, holds the Theology and Doctor of Theology degrees from Southwestern.

He taught at the seminary for nine years before accepting the pastorate of the First Baptist Church in Abilene two years ago.

Vaughan, a native of Tennessee, holds a bachelor of arts degree from Union University in Jackson, Tennessee, and a bachelor of divinity degree from the seminary. He is now working toward a Doctor of Theology degree.

Northcutt will begin his new duties January 1, 1950 and Vaughan will take his position June 1, 1950.

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DR. M'GLAMERY SPEAKS
AT NEWTON CHURCH

Dr. and Mrs. R. C. McGlamery, missionaries to Columbia, South America, spoke at the morning service at the Newton Church on December 4, and the Clarke College BSU presented a Student night at Christmas program at the evening hour.

Dr. McGlamery is the first missionary to get a medical license in South America, and is in the States for several weeks in behalf of the hospital which is so badly needed in Columbia.

In addition to the regular offering a love offering was taken for the McGlamerys, which amounted to approximately \$350.

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"THERE IS A WAY TODAY TO GET men to Jesus. It may take wisdom to find it and work to accomplish it. We may have to search the community, find the lost people, enroll them in Bible study, teach the truth, pray with them, exercise great faith and patience, and try various ways, but there is a way to reach Jesus with needy people."—Jerome G. Williams, The Sunday School Builder.

First McComb Adopts
\$54,080 Budget

The First Church, McComb, Dr. Wyatt R. Hunter, Pastor, has adopted a budget for 1950 of \$54,080. This is an increase of \$4,240 over the budget for 1949.

Twenty-seven thousand and forty dollars of the new budget is for local expenses; \$21,632 will go for missions and benevolences at home and abroad; and \$5,408 will become a part of the church's building fund.

By vote of the church all funds will be divided on the basis of 50 per cent for local expenses, 40 per cent for missions, and 10 per cent for the building fund unless otherwise designated by individual contributors.

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BOLIVAR COUNTY BEGINS
RADIO PROGRAM

The Baptist churches of Bolivar county have begun a weekly radio program over station WCLD at Cleveland. The Bolivar county Baptist Hour and is heard each Sunday, 8:30-9:00 a.m.

This is a part of the mission program of the Bolivar Association, and is under the direction of the associated missions committee composed of Rev. C. C. Carraway of Boyle. Mr. Charlie Clarke of Merigold, Mr. H. M. Jordan of Cleveland, and Rev. Charles Everitt of Merigold the associational missionary.

The first broadcast was made on Nov. 27 by the Boyle Church with the choir in charge of the music and the pastor Rev. C. C. Carraway bringing the message. The program for Dec. 4 was by the First Church of Cleveland with the choir furnishing the music and the pastor Dr. Chas. Treadway bringing the message.

Plans have been made to carry on the program indefinitely. It is financed by the laymen of the churches by voluntary contributions for that purpose.

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"THE BEST STRATEGY FOR OUR large churches is to lead in the establishment of new churches in well-chosen locations. Such a policy will result in the reaching and enlistment of millions of people and will guarantee a continuation of progress and growth among Southern Baptists."—Monroe P. Swilley, Jr., The Sunday School Builder.

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TOM READ AND STUDIED HIS BIBLE AND SOON LEARNED HOW TO BE SAVED THRU JESUS CHRIST.



THANK YOU GRANNY.



THERE WERE 12 ADDITIONS in the recent Stewardship Revival at the Northwest Church in Oklahoma City. Dr. Paul R. Roberts is the pastor and Dr. B. C. Land did the preaching. Out of a membership of less than 900, 500 pledged to tithe. The offering on Demonstration Day was \$2,127; the amount on the usual Sunday is \$800.

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COURTLAND CHURCH IN Panola County has planned a BTU study course to be held December 13-16. The adults will study "Building a Church Training Program;" the Young People's Administration which will be taught by Claud Lazenby, director; the Intermediates will study "Training in Church Membership," which will be taught by Rev. Joseph Oliver, and Rev. L. D. Baird, pastor, will teach the Junior Manual.

First Church, Canton Has Great Revival

First Church, Canton closed one of the greatest revivals in the history of the church on Sunday night December 4, according to the pastor, Dr. John W. Landrum.

Dr. W. F. Powell, pastor of the First Church, Nashville, Tennessee was the preacher and the music was under the direction of Robert Guy, Ridgecrest Assembly manager.

There were 32 additions, 19 by baptism and more than 300 re-dedications. Large crowds attended the evening service with the "standing room only" sign often in use. The morning service was held at seven o'clock and the attendance reached a high of 275.

So well pleased were the people with the meeting and the helpers that Dr. Powell and Mr. Guy were invited to come back in 1951 when the church will co-operate in the Simultaneous Evangelistic Campaign to be held in the eastern section of the Southern Baptist Convention.

The morning service was broadcast over a Jackson radio station and is said to be the first religious service to be broadcast from Canton.

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HALL SUCCEEDS HOLMAN

Rev. E. S. Hall has been called as pastor of the Second Church, Kosciusko and has already moved on the field.

Mr. Hall succeeds Rev. David Holman who served the Kosciusko church as pastor until his resignation. In order to accept the work at Kosciusko, Mr. Hall resigned the pastorate of Pleasant Ridge Church in Union county. He was educated at Clarke College.

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Meet in Memphis To Come To Biloxi Next Year

The State and Southwide Brotherhood Secretaries held their annual meeting at Memphis December 1 and 2. Practically every State Brotherhood Secretary was present and plans were made for the coming year.

The various State Secretaries read papers on subjects in keeping with Brotherhood work. Secretary W. R. Roberts read a paper on the subject, "Building Programs in the local Church and the Association."

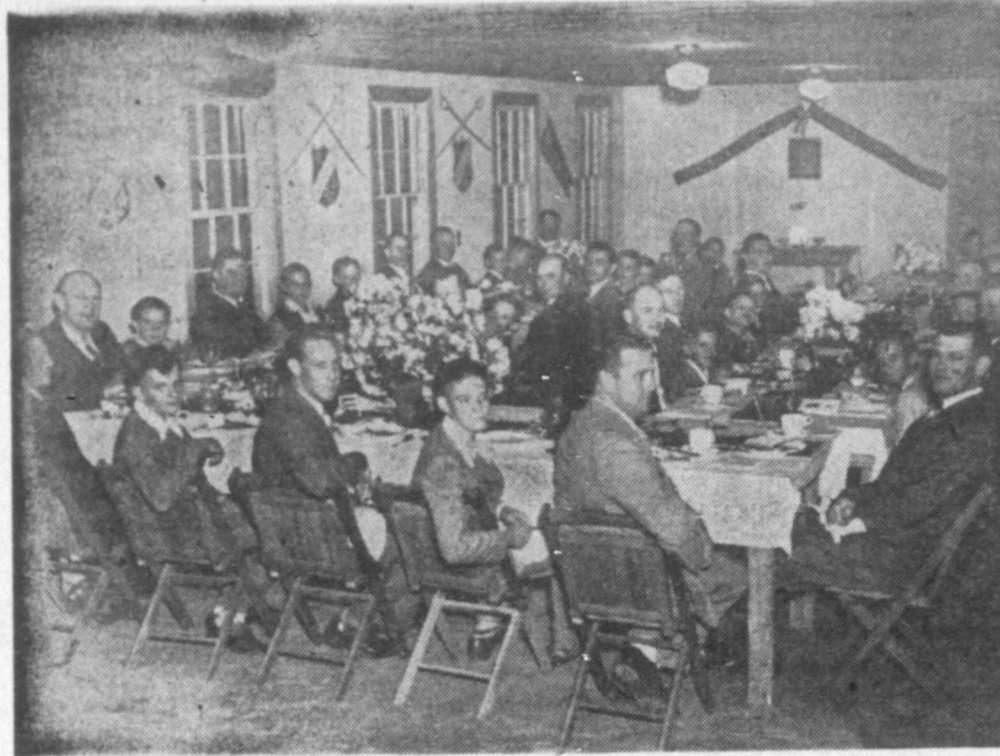
The Brotherhood Secretaries voted to hold their first meeting away from the Memphis office next year and agreed to come to Biloxi, November 29—December 1, 1950.

The following officers were elected for the Secretaries Association: J. A. Pennington of Oklahoma, president; W. R. Roberts of Mississippi, vice-president; and Bernard King of Georgia, secretary-treasurer.

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"GOD MUST BECOME REAL! THIS does not carry the implication that God himself has been unreal. Most definitely it is true, however, that the God of many may be unreal. If life is a matter of abuse, overwork, and burden; if all your days are hemmed in, cluttered, misdirected; if life is a matter of boredom, indifference, and purposelessness, your God is not real. God must be real to each person!"—Carlyle Marney, The Teacher.

Carthage RA's Have Focus Week, Sponsor Father-Son Banquet



Improved Race Relations Is Voted By Oklahoma Baptists

OKLAHOMA CITY.—(BP)—Messengers to the Baptist General Convention of Oklahoma voted a \$900,000 Co-operative Program goal for 1950.

A lengthy social service report adopted by the messengers to the convention contained a recommendation "That every church take some definite step this year towards improving race relations in your community and in our nation." Among suggested steps were the following: "Appoint a committee in your church to investigate the conditions and needs of the Negro section in your community and bring the results to your people. Ask the Negro churches to join with you in simultaneous revival meetings."

In addition to protesting the increase in the number and treatment of drinking scenes in motion picture production, the report recommended that the work of the Protestant Film Association be commended. "Their efforts to produce high quality films are meeting with success as witnessed by their widespread use in churches and religious groups," the report said.

The convention overwhelmingly adopted the following resolution:

"Whereas we reaffirm that this convention has no right to make a creedal statement to which any church must subscribe, we do affirm that any group of Baptists, large or small, have the inherent right to draw up for themselves and publish to the world a confession of their faith whenever they may think it advisable to do so.

"Therefore, Be it resolved that words 'Baptist churches' which appear in Article II, Sec. 1 of our constitution, be interpreted to mean churches that are sound in faith and practice and be it further resolved,

That churches which accept alien immersion, practice open communion or affiliate with the Federal Council, World Council or any similar unionizing organization, shall be considered unsound in faith and practice.

"Be it further resolved that we urge our pastors and other church workers to wage a campaign of teaching that our people may know the importance of preserving the ordinances as they were delivered by Jesus Christ and also the hurt that will come to our denomination when churches or other Baptist bodies enter into entangling alliances with unionizing movements."

R. A. Focus Week was observed at Carthage Church recently, beginning with a recognition service in the morning worship hour.

On Monday members of the R. A.'s were taken on a tour of the Choctaw Indian Reservation conducted by the Indian Agent. The agent also showed a handicraft exhibit in his home, made a talk on Indian boys, and entertained the visitors at a picnic on the grounds.

A Father-Son Banquet was the main event on Tuesday, and 45 were present. The theme was "The World for Christ."

The Junior Knightly Deeds Embassy supplied tracts in the Court House and Bus Stations on Wednesday. On Thursday the World Alliance Embassy added 16 subscriptions to the Ambassador Life, making the Junior R. A. 100 per cent in subscriptions. A Hobby party was the event on Friday.

On Saturday, the mission book, "My Daddy Told Me," was taught to 16 boys, in a typical Japanese setting.

Thomas H. Snowden and Mrs. L. W. Nester are counselors for the group. Shown above are those who attended the Father-Son Banquet held on Tuesday night during the R. A. Focus Week at Carthage Church. Thomas H. Snowden and Mrs. L. W. Nester are the counselors.

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Law Permitting Churches To Sell Liquor Defeated

KANSAS CITY, Mo.—(RNS)—A proposed ordinance that would have allowed local churches to sell liquor met defeat here when members of the city council refused to introduce the measure.

The ordinance was drawn up by some of the city staff after a recommendation by Fred R. Johnson, city liquor control director. Johnson said the recommendation was made after requests for such an ordinance had been received by his office.

Under present city law, the sale of intoxicants is prohibited within 300 feet of church property. However, the wording of the ordinance allows church group to get special permits to sell beer at carnivals.

The city council rejected the new measure after protests were made by the Kansas City Ministerial Alliance, groups represented in the Kansas City Council of Churches, and a Lutheran organization.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

Laurel, Second Avenue	496	139
West Laurel	455	152
Jackson, First	1,215	512
Jackson, Parkway	701	280
Parkway Chapel	83	62
Jackson, Calvary	1,164	326
Calvary Mission	16	23
Jackson, Northside	550	226
Jackson, Van Winkle	345	222
Jackson, Davis Memorial	291	152
Jackson, East Side	121	79
Jackson, South Side	214	102
Glade (Jones County)	134	78
Friendship (Pike County)	184	100
New Albany, First	724	203
Jackson, Daniel Memorial	301	127
Chester (Choctaw County)	63	
Houlka (Chickasaw County)	74	37
Center (Union County)	150	81
East Fork (Amite County)	124	57
Tupelo, Harrisburg	479	193
Ingomar	121	53
Darling	65	
Bruce	202	84
Delay	49	53
Bogue Chitto (Pike County)	111	86
Gulfport, First	712	174
McComb, First	620	147
James	57	62
Meridian, First	657	139
Meridian, Fifteenth Avenue	438	117
Meridian, Highland	402	173
Meridian,		
Poplar Springs	321	94
Meridian, South Side	309	135
Meridian, Eighth Avenue	303	87
Meridian, Forty-First		
Avenue	224	70
Meridian, Oakland Heights	131	73
Meridian, Oak Grove	109	80
Meridian, Key Field	76	25
Pascagoula, First	535	206
Eastlawn Mission	48	41
Chapel No. 2	20	
Unity Mission	41	44
Friendship (Lincoln County)	86	79
Evergreen (Winston County)	92	117
Long Creek		
(Lauderdale County)	65	64
Hattiesburg, Main Street	902	269
Lucedale	282	112
Corinth, Tate Street	352	118
West Corinth	191	89
Bay Springs,		
(including mission)	179	78
East Moss Point	177	82
Bethlehem (Jones County)	139	109
East Moss Point	459	241
Beulah (Simpson County)	149	101
Crystal Springs	649	167
Centerville	154	68
Columbus, First	834	318
Brookhaven,		
Pearlhaven	159	90
Harmony (Tippah County)	79	18
Chalybeate	61	38
Leesburg	128	179
Carmel	112	78
Union	185	179
Siloam (Simpson County)	69	69
Big Creek	63	59
Union (Alcorn County)	27	56
Brookhaven, First	1,004	307
Hamilton Street Chapel	104	53
Central Chapel	134	86
Kosciusko, First	466	234
November 27, 1949		
Centerville	153	64
McComb, First	580	126

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DURING AN EARTHQUAKE THAT occurred a few years since, the inhabitants of a small village were generally very much alarmed, but they were at the same time surprised at the calmness and apparent joy of an old lady whom they all knew. At length one of them, addressing the old lady, said: "Mother, are you not afraid?" "No," said the mother in Israel, "I rejoice to know that I have a God that can shake the world!"—Charles H. Spurgeon, Volume II of GREAT PULPIT MASTERS (Reville).

IMMANUEL HATTIESBURG BREAKS GROUND FOR EDUCATIONAL ANNEX



(Photo by Don Comer, Hattiesburg American Staff Photographer.)

Sparks & Splinters

AMONG THE RECENT VISITORS IN the office of the Baptist Record were: J. P. Byrd, Florence; R. N. White, Florence; Rev. and Mrs. G. W. Smith, Lena; Rev. A. B. Pierce, Kosciusko; Rev. James P. Brewer, Clinton; Rev. Troy A. Summrell, Hattiesburg; I. P. Rasberry, Oakland; Rev. Charles C. Magee, Oakland; J. Golden Clay, Lena; Mrs. M. D. Reagan, Bobbie Parkes, Carthage; Rev. A. W. Talbert, Macedonia; Rev. John E. Barrow, Sturgis; W. Jacobs, Jackson; Rev. E. S. Hall, Kosciusko; N. R. Paschal, Grenada; Rev. W. B. Ashland; Rev. C. B. Hamlet, III, Winona; Rev. W. A. Hogan, Bay Springs; H. A. Scott, Tylertown; H. M. Brooks, Mathiston; Kenneth Mavity, Grenada; Rev. Wallace Harrell, Pascagoula; Rev. J. B. Middleton, Bruce; Rev. J. R. Reedy, Eupora; Rev. W. T. Douglas, Brooksville.

THE BAPTIST RECORD GREATLY appreciates a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions from McIvor Church, Panola County. The list was sent by Mrs. R. W. Towles.

IN AN ARTICLE CONCERNING Thanksgiving services at the Courtland church which appeared in the December 1 issue of the Baptist Record the following statement was made: "Rev. L. D. Baird, host pastor, presided and led the singing." Rev. L. D. Baird did preside and led the singing but Rev. J. O. Twitchel of the Methodist Church was host pastor.—Rev. L. D. Baird.

BEREA CHURCH IN TUNICA COUNTY has ordained the following members as deacons: Willie Parker, Lathen Parker, A. F. Higgins, and James Butler. Rev. Brooks McMaster, Hollywood Church, delivered the ordination sermon. Rev. George Lassett, Jr., is the pastor.

MRS. C. O. RAY, OF ROUTE 4, Batesville, is one among the many who have helped the Baptist Record over the 65,000 hill in circulation. She recently sent a nice list of new subscriptions from Shady Grove Church, Panola County.

MRS. J. W. EUBANKS, CHOCTAW County W.M.U. Superintendent, led in the organization of a W.M.S. at Choctaw Church on November 16. Officers were elected as follows: Mrs. Ancil Curtis, president; Mrs. Arvie Mullins, secretary and treasurer; Mrs. Leland Taylor, community chairman; Mrs. Ed. Robinson, Mission study chairman; Mrs. Lee Atterbury, program chairman.

DR. O. W. YATES HAS RESIGNED as director of public relations at Georgetown College in Kentucky to accept the position as head of the Central Baptist Hospital, Ky.

MEMBERS OF THE QUENTIN BAPTIST Church have completed a Training Union study course. The following books were studied: "Building a Christian Home" in the adult dept.; "Growing in Bible Knowledge," Intermediate; "Bible Heroes," Junior. The Training Union was organized in July of this year. Rev. James O. Melton is pastor.

THE BAPTIST RECORD APPRECIATES a nice list of renewal subscriptions from Bethany Church, Marshall County. In sending the list Miss Josie Shoffner wrote, "I wish every member of our church would take the Baptist Record and get for themselves an understanding of different phases of church work. It is so much better than waiting to ask a neighbor for information."

EVERY DAY BRINGS SOMETHING new for missionaries on the foreign missions fields, according to Dr. V. Lavell Seats, visiting professor this year at Southern Seminary, Louisville. Two women missionaries at Ogbomoso, Nigeria were delighted one afternoon that the orange juice they drank was freer of seeds than usual. Dr. Seats recalls. They called the porter and wanted to know how the improvement had come about. "Oh," beamed the porter, "I used the new strainer." "New strainer?" they replied. "We didn't know we had one. Let's see it." The porter ran to the kitchen and brought out a slightly used fly swatter.

COUNTY LINE BAPTIST CHURCH, Jones County, is planning a Youth Revival December 28-January 1. The young preachers of the church will be the speakers. December 28, Rev. K. G. West will be the speaker; 29th, Rev. J. D. Boutwell; 30th, Rev. Joe Burl Walley; 31st, Rev. Billy Johnson; the pastor of the church, Rev. J. W. Dubose, will be the speaker Sunday, January 1.

THE COMBINED CHOIRS OF MISSISSIPPI STATE AND BLUE MOUNTAIN Colleges will give Handel's Messiah at each college during the holidays—Dec. 11 at Blue Mountain and Dec. 13 at State. The Blue Mountain College orchestra will accompany at the Blue Mountain presentation. John Wainright will conduct the choir at Mississippi State and John G. Detro, Jr., at Blue Mountain.

THE FIRST CHURCH, McCOMB, will observe Bible Study Week January 3-6 with the pastor, Dr. Wyatt Hunter, teaching "Studies in Acts." The series of sound films on the life of Paul will be shown during the course.

Rev. W. C. Sledge who recently returned to the pastorate at Shaw, after drifting over to North Carolina for a few years, has already started at his old ways. He recently sent a nice list of new subscriptions from the church at Shaw.

REV. R. J. RHODES WRITES THAT he has resigned as pastor of Bethel Church, Pearl River County, and has accepted a call to the Carson Church. He began his new work on December 1. He succeeds Rev. W. H. Wood, who went to Sylvestra as pastor and as half-time associational missionary for Smith County.

ON NOVEMBER 15 DR. AND MRS. J. E. BARNES, SR., celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at their home in Mobile, Ala. Dr. Barnes was formerly pastor of the church at Ocean Springs. His son, John E. Barnes, Jr., is now pastor of the Main Street Church, Hattiesburg. It was a coincidence that on the day the father and mother were celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary, the son was preaching the sermon before the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

THE BAPTIST RECORD APPRECIATES a nice list of new subscriptions from Cedar Grove church, Greene County.

IN THE FIRST QUARTER, 1944, issue of the Brotherhood Journal, there is a very interesting article entitled "The Opportunity for Christian Men." The author is Hon. Carroll Gartin of Laurel; Mr. Gartin is mayor of the city, a prominent Baptist Layman, a member of the Southwide Brotherhood Committee, and active in Brotherhood work in south Mississippi.

REV. LEVON MOORE, A MISSISSIPPIAN who is on lend-lease to Kentucky and pastor of the Lawrenceburg church, was recently given an anniversary reception in honor of his first anniversary as pastor. Much has been achieved during the past year. Additions in membership have totalled 76; the Sunday School enrolment has increased 318 to 405; a nursery has been added; five new W. M. U. organizations added, and the Training Union enrolment has increased from 70 to 100. During the year the contributions have amounted to \$7,441 for local expenses. Total offerings amounted to \$11,395.

"QUENTIN, BAPTIST CHURCH Quentin, Miss., ordained James C. Kent Sunday night, November 20, to the office of Deacon. The ordination council was composed of James O. Melton, pastor, Rev. N. P. Greer, Mr. H. R. Malory, Mr. W. P. Mullen, Mr. Zell Hodges. Rev. Greer preached the ordination sermon.

BLUE MOUNTAIN, MISS., DEC. 2—Led by Miss Nancy Kelly, of Bern, the Young Woman's Auxiliary of Blue Mountain College is collecting gifts for the people who attend the extension Sunday school at Graham's Chapel, conducted by Blue Mountain students. The gifts will be distributed at a special Christmas program.

Ground for a \$75,000 educational annex to Immanuel Church, Hattiesburg, was broken on November 21 by the Pastor, Rev. Troy A. Summrell. Many of the church members and officials were present at the brief ceremony. Others who participated in the service were Mayor D. W. Holmes, Commissioner W. P. Harrington, Mississippi Woman's College President I. E. Rouse, Dr. John E. Barnes, pastor of Main Street Church, and Architect Warren McCleskey.

The new church plant is to be built in units, and will cost approximately \$250,000. Included in the plans are a new auditorium and a new parsonage. Pastor Summrell, a native of Jones County is now in his seventh year with Im-

manuel Church. During these years the finances have grown, the membership increased and all the organizations are making progress.

Committees for the building program are as follows:

General Committee: Claude Smith, chairman, N. S. Hand, J. E. Snowden, J. P. Howell, Henry Jones, W. C. Stewart, M. B. Holloway, E. A. Havens, Dr. I. E. Rouse, A. L. Ward, and Ben Steevans

Finance Committee: J. E. Snowden, chairman, Dr. I. E. Rouse, and Henry Jones.

Construction Committee: Dr. I. E. Rouse, chairman, W. C. Stewart, J. P. Howell, N. S. Hand, and Henry Jones.

MEMBERS OF PLEASANT GROVE Church, Grenada County, enjoyed a buffet supper at the church on Sunday evening following Thanksgiving, at which time farmers who had planted an Acre for God in 1943 brought their gifts to the church. The film, "Who Is My Neighbor?" was shown by Billy Shaw and Clyde McWhorter. Mrs. Earl Gillon read a Thanksgiving article.

THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION in England has rejected a Roman Catholic plan for the British Government to provide and operate the school plants now operated by Catholics. Minister of Education, George Tomlinson asserted, "The Roman Catholic hierarchy have always aimed at throwing the whole cost of their schools upon public funds, and have not ceased to do so."

FRIENDS OF REV. J. FELIX AR-nold, Mississippian and graduate of Mississippi College, will be interested in the following item which appeared in the Biblical Recorder, the Baptist State paper of North Carolina: Pastor J. Felix Arnold and the members of the Enfield Church are happy over the beautiful appearance of their church auditorium, which has been renovated and redecorated. The work was done in the spring at a cost of a little over \$1,000. The remainder of the building will be renovated in connection with the building program (educational annex) to be begun in the spring. The building fund has been increased from \$12,000 to \$25,000 in the last two years.

REV. TROY SUMMRELL, PASTOR OF Immanuel Church, Hattiesburg, assisted Corinth Church, Hancock County, in a Stewardship Revival the week of November 13. Dr. E. W. Langham is the pastor. Several tithers were enlisted and the church was led to adopt the EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record. Eugene Lacy of Immanuel Church led the singing. The church recently dedicated a new \$20,000 building and installed an electric organ, all clear of debt.

GOING PLACES

By A. L. GOODRICH

BILOXI

Even though the war is over, Biloxi continues to be a center for thousands of soldiers in training and First church, Biloxi, under the leadership of the pastor, Dr. G. C. Hughes, continues to carry on a seven day program. Many soldiers are attracted to the various activities of the church. Miss Elizabeth Pickering is the church hostess.

The Fairland kindergarten continues to attract a capacity enrollment and the pastor considers it a worthwhile investment in Christian training for the tiny tots.

A few years ago it was thought that the church plant was too large for any hope for growth but already the building is overcrowded and plans are being made to build an educational annex.

Record readers in Harrison county are now listed as follows: Big Ridge, 7; Biloxi, First, 241; Biloxi, Second, 41; Crane, 1; Gulfport, First, 585; Fernwood, 40; Gulfport, East Side, 50; Gulfport, Grace Memorial, 40; Handsboro, 53; Long Beach, 80; Mississippi City, 2; New Hope, 35; Pass Christian, 44; Sharon, 1; West Gulfport, 22; Woolmarket, 19.

WHITE SAND CHURCH, JEFF DAVIS COUNTY

While Pastor Robert L. Lee was away in connection with a wedding, we had the privilege of preaching at White Sand. This was our first visit in about ten years. When we were there before they had an old frame building but we were pleasantly surprised to see the beautiful modern new building which has been erected. It has facilities for the Sunday School and Training Union and a well-planned and well lighted auditorium.

The services were moved up from 7 until 6 p. m. in order that we might preach at Prentiss at the regular time. However, the moving did not seem to affect the crowd. The church was practically full at 6 o'clock.

Record readers in Jeff Davis County are now listed as follows: Antioch, 39; Bassfield, 56; Bethany, 41; Carson, 52; Dublin, 1; Ebenezer, 33; Hawthorn, 42; Hepzibah, 62; Oak Grove, 30; Old Hebron, 1; Phaltt, 54; Prentiss, First, 173; Society Hill, 50; Victory, 41; Whitesand, 82.

OAK GROVE, SIMPSON COUNTY

Because of the fact that Oak Grove Church, Simpson County, is pastorless, we had the privilege of supplying for them on a recent Sunday.

There was a good crowd on hand for the morning service and an even better one for the evening service. This seems to be one of the few Mississippi churches where the crowds are larger at night than in the day time.

Simpson County Record readers are now listed as follows: Antioch, 16; Beulah, 73; Braxton, 49; Coats, 16; D'Lo, 2; Bethlehem (Fork), 49; Goodwater, 17; Harrisville, 40; Jupiter, 26; Macedonia, 44; Magee, 179; Mendenhall, 105; Mt. Zion, 97; New Hope, 21; Palestine, 32; Pine Grove, 32; Pinola, 49; Pleasant Hill, 66; Pleasant Valley, 44; Poplar Springs, 40; Shivers, 31; Siloam, 31; Stonewall, 31; Strong River, 34; New Bethlehem, 10; Everett, 12; Holly Grove, 34; Oak Grove, 64.

LEARNED

Having assisted in a revival meeting at Learned several years ago, we were glad to accept an invitation to go back and see if the church continued to exist after our first visit. And, incidentally, to aid the pastor, Rev. R. A. Eddleman, in ordaining three fine young men as deacons.

We preached the sermon and the pastor led the ordaining prayer.

Pastor Eddleman is now completing his ninth year as pastor at Learned.

Hinds County Record readers are now listed as follows: Alta Woods, 45; Bethesda, 58; Beulah, 40; Bolton, 25; Byram, 44; Chapel Hill, 41; Clinton, 230; Edwards, 32; Elaine, 56; Jackson, Calvary, 1159; Jackson, Daniel, Memorial, 180; Jackson, Davis Memorial, 121; Jackson, Emmanuel, 28; Jackson, First, 1061; Jackson, Griffith Memorial, 3; Jackson, Northside, 337; Jackson, Parkway, 565; Jackson, Van Winkle, 263; West Jackson, 31; Learned, 18; Leavell Woods, 20; Midway, 26; Miss. College BSU, 75; Mt. Morgan, 19; New Haven, 32; Old Byram, 14; Palestine, 9; Pocatontas, 25; Raymond, 31; Salem, 30; Forest Hill, 64; Terry, 133; Utica, 75; Jackson, Southside, 122.

ESCATAWPA

Escatawpa church, Jackson county, continues to make progress under the leadership of Pastor C. I. Miller.

One hundred and forty-two were enrolled in a Training Union study course. Teachers for the study course were: Miss Annie Averett and Miss Pat Sellers. This was the largest study course enrollment in the history of the church.

Jackson county now has Baptist Record subscribers listed as follows: East Moss Point, 24; Escatawpa, 65; Fort Bayou, 1; Fountainbleau, 24; Friendship, 16; Gautier, 39; Kreele, 56; Moss Point, 110; Ocean Springs, 10; Pascagoula, First, 340; Pascagoula, Calvary, 123; Pascagoula, East Side, 14; Red Creek, 16; Unity, 12; Vancleave, 25; Wade, 50; Magnolia, 1; Hurley, 18.

CONCORD, CALHOUN COUNTY

A recent addition to the growing list of churches that have adopted the popular and progressive EVERY FAMILY plan of the Baptist Record is Concord Church, Calhoun County. The pastor is Rev. A. H. Childress, who recently resigned the pastorate at Louin, in order to accept the Calhoun County church.

However, it was not a surprise to get this EVERY FAMILY list for wherever Pastor Childress has served he has made the Baptist Record a part of his program.

Calhoun County Record readers are now listed as follows: Antioch, 51; Antioch, (Lafayette), 12; Banner, 30; Bethany, 78; Bethel, 45; Big Creek, 2; Bruce, 154; Calhoun City, First, 170; Calhoun City, Second, 27; Calvary, 28; College Hill 1; Concord, 20; Derma, 49; Duncan Hill, 13; Ellard, 30; Macedonia, 1; Meridian, 24; Midway, 1; Mt. Moriah, 28; New Hope, 28; New Liberty, 1; Oak Grove, 28; Old Town, 31; Parker, 2; Pittsboro, 27; Pleasant Ridge, 16; Poplar Springs, 1; Providence, 6; Rocky Mountain, 1; Sabougla, 34; Shiloh, 3; Spring Creek, 1; Spring Hill, 2; Vardaman, 14; Bradford Chapel, 23.

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DEERBROOK CHURCH, NOXUBEE County, seems to be growing. A nice list of additional names for the EVERY FAMILY list was recently received.

REV. CARMON SAVELL IS MERIGOLD PASTOR



REV. CARMON SAVELL

Rev. Carmon Savell recently began his work as pastor of the Merigold church. He succeeds Rev. Joe Sturdivant, who accepted a call to Texas.

Merigold church is now supporting full-time work, although the work was only half-time until November. Among other items which were increased in the new church budget, associational missions showed an increase from \$200 to \$500.

November 21-25 a Training Union study course was held, with an average attendance of 46.

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THE FIRST CHURCH, McCOMB, HAD an all-time high in Sunday School attendance on December 4, 503 members were present, 20 visitors, and 7 new members which made a total attendance of 530. Dr. Wyatt Hunter is the pastor and H. O. Murrell is the Sunday School Superintendent.

"PROVE ME HOUR" SERIES HEARD ON 125 STATIONS

ATLANTA, Ga.—(BP)—Every set of "Prove Me Hour" transcriptions produced by the Radio Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention for the Convention's Executive Committee have already been scheduled by radio stations, according to Dr. S. F. Lowe, director of the Commission. The 125 stations now carrying these broadcasts are scattered throughout 18 of the Convention states.

Produced to show the need of individual stewardship, the program is aimed at increased Christian missions throughout the world. Among the six 15-minute transcriptions are messages by Robert G. Lee, R. C. Campbell, J. Clyde Turner, and Duke K. McCall, also a dramatized stewardship presentation, and a series of testimonies given by outstanding Baptist laymen, including W. Maxey Jarman and others.

As the transcriptions are returned from the radio stations to the Commission, they will be made available to churches which have equipment for using 16-inch records for use in their services or on special occasions. Dr. Merrill D. Moore, director of promotion for the Executive Committee, says "any one or all of these records would make a very effective presentation of stewardship in any church. This is one of a number of services being rendered by the Executive Committee in cooperation with the Radio Commission to supply stewardship audio-visual aids in the churches."

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THE OCTOBER ISSUE OF THE COMMISSION CARRIES THE CORRECT MAILING ADDRESS OF ALL MISSIONARIES.

AFRICA

In the list of allocations for Nigeria we find these items:

Dispensaries	\$ 3,000.00
Ogbomosho-Operating Expenses, Seminary	1,500.00
Ogbomosho Library and Text-Book Fund,	1,500.00
Ogbomosho Current Expenses, Home for Motherless Children	4,000.00
Ogbomosho Home for Motherless Children, additional for new building	15,000.00
Ogbomosho Laundry, for Hospital	2,500.00
Ogbomosho Leper Fund	5,000.00
Ogbomosho Residence, Supt. of Leper work	7,500.00
The above items are a part of the GRAND TOTAL FOR AFRICA of	\$124,200.00

HOW THE OFFERING WILL HELP THROUGH THE DISPENSARIES

By Archie Dunaway

This very week we are excitedly packing everywhere to move to Ibariba country. Finally, the little garage house at Okuta is completed, except for a few coats of paint. The garage is arranged in three small rooms and looks quite liveable. We can hardly wait to get into it, and, above all, to get permanently situated among the Ibariba people. We have looked forward so long now to the opportunity of devoting all our efforts toward helping those people and winning them to Christ. Many delays have made our getting there slow. Such problems as those of land, Government, water, labor, transportation of materials, and last but not least, bridge washouts, have been constantly before us to make the progress slow. Such problems as the language and Mohammendanism yet lie ahead, but with confidence and determination we are ready to face them, knowing that the Lord will make us victorious through it all.

Small, but definite and very real are our beginnings in Ibariba already. Thomas Akano, consecrated young Christian from Shaki, his wife Deborah, and their two year old child have been living at Okuta for some months now. Thomas has been devotedly studying both English and Ibariba, while at the same time, he has been holding Sunday services in his house and has been teaching the Bible to a group of Ibariba boys during the week days. With what surprise and joy we heard his boys singing "Jesus Loves Me" in their own language, Ibariba, and repeating the Twenty-third Psalm and other passages from memory! While Thomas has been working with the Ibaribas, we have been trying to help him increase his own knowledge and understanding of the Bible so that he can better witness to them and can become more strongly grounded in Christianity himself. His zeal and progress have been a marvel, reassuring us that he is called of the Lord. Since we have not yet studied the language, Thomas interprets for me when I preach and for Margaret in her medical work. We are indeed

anxious to begin study of the language at once.

Speaking of the medical work, it has begun too. Margaret has begun her baby clinic work under a grass shed at Okuta, and on the Jeep at other bush villages. She is majoring on helping the babies, children, expectant and new mothers. There is a tremendous need for this type of work there; the Government has recognized that great need and has authorized Margaret to establish a Child Welfare and Maternity Center at Okuta. That work will definitely be the entrance for Christ to make himself known to the Ibariba people. Our hope for Christianity to become victorious in Africa lies in our successfully reaching the youth now.

We are so happy to have this opportunity of saying "Thank you" for making it possible (through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering) for us to have a place in Ibariba to live now. Your offering of 1947 paid for the garage house and will include the building of our permanent residence in the near future. From what you give this Christmas will come the money for the building of our Okuta Child Welfare and Maternity Center. Yes, we say that in perfect faith, knowing that you will not fail us nor Christ, in whose Name we labor, that the whole wide world may know Him.

His blessings upon everyone of you this Christmas!

THE LOTTIE MOON OFFERING AT WORK IN NIGERIA

By Antonia Canzoneri

Dear Friends in Mississippi,

I have been looking over the list of objectives for the Foreign Mission Offering which Miss Ed sent me. I am happy to see a number of things which are so badly needed here in Ogbomosho listed among the many others.

Additional on New building for the Home for Motherless Children. It will be so good to have room enough for a play room for the children, so that on rainy days they will not have to continue playing out on a cold damp porch. Also, when the new building is completed, Miss Kersey will have a place to put the sick children, so as to isolate them from the rest. The grounds will be more spacious, and the children will not be confined to such a small compound as they are now. When the children move out of this present building, which is just across the drive from the hospital, we will probably use it, if possible, for a Maternity Center for the hospital. We have only four beds in the hospital for the use of maternity patients at present. We are anxious to have more of a part in preventing the deaths of the mothers, so that the necessity for a Motherless Children's Home will diminish.

We feel that the only hope for the people of Nigeria is for us to help raise up good Christian leaders. Thus, we look upon the Seminary as our most important enterprise. Some of the things taught the people by poorly trained pastors are atrocious. To have a part in the education of pas-

HOME MISSION AUTHORS — 1950



By JOHN CAYLOR

Top Row: Harold E. Dye, John D. Freeman, Dorothy Grijalva, Joshua Grijalva; Bottom Row: Marel Brown, Annie Crittendon Martin, Janice Singleton, John Caylor.

Authors of the books in the 1950 home mission series are presented in the above picture.

Rev. Harold E. Dye, pastor of Central Baptist Church, Bakersfield, California, is author of an attractive book on mountain missions. He gives the story of the life of Rev. A. S. Petrey, who for fifty-two years has been a missionary in the Cumberland Mountains in Kentucky. Harold Dye is no novice in the field of writing. He is author of two Broadman books, *Robes of Splendor* and *Through God's Eyes*, and the popular home mission book, *Shining Like the Stars*. The name of the biography of Brother Petrey is *The Prophet of Little Cane Creek*. Readers declare this to be the best work of the author.

Dr. John D. Freeman is a former editor of the *Western Recorder* and the *Baptist and Reflector*. He has written other books. This offering is titled, *Buried . . . Living* and describes

tors to lead our churches is to help to give hope of the eventual complete evangelization of Nigeria and other parts of Africa.

Laundry for the Hospital. Then we can have dry sheets even during the rainy season. Most of the patients see a change of linen rarely enough, anyway, and the scarcity is increased by an inability to dry the clothes on rainy days. The present laundry room will be converted into either a dressing room for the nurses or a place where we can place a few reference books for them to consult. When you have no textbooks suitable for the situation, a discreet use of reference books would be a great help to the nurses' training.

It is good to see that a house for the Superintendent of Leper Work is included. You should see that little "salt-box" the Goldies live in now. It was formerly a single classroom for the Seminary. They have a combination bed room and living room, a small cubby-hole for their three children, a dining room so small that only six people can get around the table, and an inadequate kitchen. They have done wonders with what they have.

The Leper Work must have a considerable amount of running expenses, because the lepers cannot pay for their care. They grow most of their own food, but cannot pay for their treatment. Sixty or more lepers are discharged every year. No one knows who is to be discharged until the names are read in a special service. I wish you could see the joy on the faces of those released from the disease and from their isolation from society as they leap over benches and people and run down the aisle to fling themselves face down at the feet of the person holding the discharge certificates.

the work of a young couple going into a rural area and investing youthful life in rural ministry. It shows in a romantic story what consecrated young people and dedicated country folk can do in the building of a church and a community.

Rev. and Mrs. Joshua Grijalva are introduced as new writers. Mrs. Grijalva was secretary to Superintendent Loyd Corder of the Mexican Mission work for a number of years. Joshua is pastor of the Antioch Mexican Baptist Church of San Antonio. These young people are college and seminary folk who have been blessed of the Lord in service to Spanish-speaking people. They write interestingly about Mexican migrants for Intermediate readers.

Mrs. Alex B. Brown (Marel Brown) is a well known author of devotional and poetic offerings. She wrote *Lifty May* and *Dan* in the race series for the Home Mission Board in 1945. Her book on home missions is titled, *The Greshams of Greenway*. She describes a farm family in a progressive series of incidents centered around the home and the church.

Mrs. Charles R. Martin (Anne Crittendon Martin) is the daughter of Dr. Crittendon, secretary of California Baptists, and the wife of Charles Martin, ministerial student in Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and has served as managing editor of the *Baptist Student* and as publicity director of Howard College. She worked in the W.M.U. offices on the magazine staff. Her picture story book on home and church life on the farm under the title, *The Farmer Twins* is a most attractive book.

Miss Janice Singleton is secretary of Woman's Missionary Union in Georgia. She has prepared background materials and helps in book form for those who teach the various books in the series. Her book is *Rural Resource Book*.

Dr. John Caylor, in releasing the 1950 series, completes his third series of mission study books as editor with a total, including other home mission books outside the graded series, of twenty-seven new volumes of mission study books in the past three years.

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BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Amber J. Wilda, State Secretary — Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi
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Intermediate Section of the State Training Union Convention December 29-30 Thursday Afternoon

- 2:00—Devotional period.
- 2:10—Intermediate Hymn Players.
- 3:00—Intermediate Sword Drill.
- 3:20—Conference period.
- 4:25—Announcements and adjournment.

Friday Morning

- 9:00—Department Assembly Program.
- 9:15—"A Standard Union."
- 9:25—Sword Drill, participants introduced and awards presented.
- 9:35—"Why our study course was a success."
- 9:45—Congregational song.
- 9:50—How God can use an Intermediate—Mr. J. E. Lambdin, Secretary and Editor of Southwide Training Union Department.
- 10:10—Hymn players introduced and awards presented.

North, East, West, South: Mrs. J. E. Lambdin, Nashville, Tenn., will lead the conference at 3:20 for all adult workers in the Intermediate Department. This will be a special treat to all who can take advantage of it.

To the Sword Drill participants: We will furnish a regular Sword Drill Bible (B 100) for your use in the State Drill.

Bay St. Louis Training Union Installs Visual Education Equipment

From a letter coming to us recently from Pastor John T. Deering, Jr., pastor of the Bay St. Louis church we learn that the Training Union is growing steadily both in attendance and in efficiency. One thing that has added to the interest and has challenged cooperation is the installation of visual aids. Film strips for the general assembly programs have been used and plans call for movie films a little later. In writing Brother Deering asks for the free helps for officers which we are always glad to supply.

Scott Co. Training Union Reports Extension Work

Thanks to Mrs. James Golden, Associational Secretary for a report on the recent organization of a Training Union at Sardis (Sabastopol) church in Scott Co. Director Brown along with some members of the Union church including Mrs. Golden, had the pleasure of making this contribution to the cause. The following were elected—Director A. G. Eason; General Sec., Mrs. A. G. Eason; Intermediate Leader, Mrs. Rose Underwood; Junior Leader, Mrs. Zelma Gardner; Free literature to these officers was sent from the state office. We are happy to enroll these as a part of a great Christ centered program.

Pass Christian Re-organizes For Efficiency

Thanks to Brother W. S. Allen, pastor of the Pass Christian church for a good report on their Training Union plans. A request for all latest literature, including books on methods have been ordered and a re-study of the work begun which will start the Training Union on its way to being as good as the best. During the year this church has baptized 36 into the

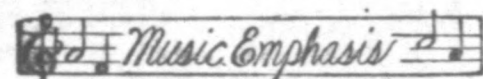
fellowship of the church, second only to First Biloxi of the coast churches. Congratulations, Pass Christian, and best wishes for the future.

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Lauderdale Co. On the Alert

Comes from Miss Imogene Tucker, Lauderdale Co. Director, request for 25 standards for each department, 25 general standards, 50 requests for Award blanks, 10 each packages of helps for officers. This but means that the usual intensive program continues in Lauderdale Co.

How about "M" Night! Did you have it? Have you reported it? Please do, please do.



Adjudication Sheet For State Music Festival

All ensembles and hymn players who plan to participate in the State Music Festival on December 29-30 will be interested in the adjudication sheet listed below. Copies of the Adjudication sheet may be secured from the Music Section of Training, Box 530, Jackson.

INTONATION: Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass, Ensemble.

TONE: Quality, Quantity, Blend, Freedom, Balance.

ACCURACY: Note Values, Steadiness, Dynamics, Rhythm, Flow, Breathing.

INTERPRETATION: Tradition, Tonal Balance, Phrasing, Contrast, Attacks, Releases, Proportion, Unity, Tempo, General Effect.

DICTION: Purity of Vowel, Precision of Consonants, Pronunciation, Enunciation.

APPEARANCE: Stage Deportment, Posture.

POINTS FOR HYMN PLAYERS ARE LISTED BELOW: Memory, Smooth and correct time, correct chords, proper accents, phrasing, balance, style and taste in performance, originality in variations, ability to follow the leader while singing, balance between tempo and message in hymn.

No ensemble or hymn player will be rated against the others, rather, will be rated as to the merits of individual performance. Ratings of Superior, Excellent, Good, or Fair will be used in rating the ensembles and hymn players. Special recognition will be given to Superior ratings.

All ensembles and hymn players who participated in the District Festivals in June are eligible to participate in the State Festival. Order of appearance will be listed as soon as the Training Union Convention programs are printed. All ensembles and hymn players will take advantage of this great opportunity.

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COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO.—(RNS)
—Purchase by Colorado Baptists of a 1,360-acre tract in the Black Forest for use as a summer camp was announced here during the State Baptist Youth Fellowship convention.

Copiah Pastors' Conference Meets At County Line

The Copiah County Pastors' Conference met on November 21 at the County Line Church, with Rev. R. J. Sweetman serving as host pastor. Dr. John M. McGinnis, of Cedartown, Ga., brought the inspirational message to the 13 pastors who attended. Other speakers included Major W. E. Holcomb of Jackson, who discussed the Christian Rural Overseas Program, and the Copiah County agent, Mr. Stone, who also discussed CROP. Dinner was served by the County Line W.M.S.

CHOCTAW COUNTY W.M.S. OFFICERS met at Concord Church on November 23. Miss Kate Pinson, Mrs. J. W. Eubanks, Mrs. R. T. Staples and Mrs. W. E. Conner gave informative and inspirational talks.

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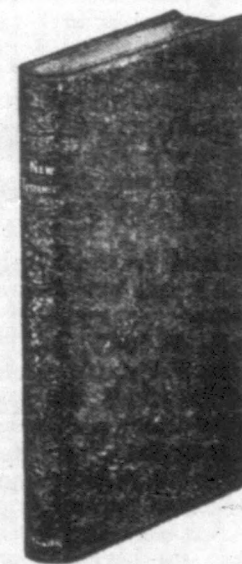
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PERSONAL GOD TEACHES A PERSON-
AL RELIGION. Texts. Jeremiah 8:4-7;
28; 31.

I. A PRIMAL AND CONTINUING RELATIONSHIP

"As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be." "In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth." The two are distinct and yet two parts of one inclusive whole. One affects the other; earth, heaven, and heaven, earth. The one has never lost the interest of the other. Heaven is the dwelling place of Him who made both, and He is interested in the affairs of earth. Often and again He is represented as bending the heavens and coming down to have part in the affairs of men.

Now, of course, he is here, everywhere, omnipresent; but we naturally think of Him as high and lifted up, and we the more easily get the idea of His exalted character when we think of His holiness in terms of altitude. We speak of the sort of men we need in the world as "Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog; in private duty and in public thinking." Now, our holy God Who dwells in light unapproachable, comes down to be with His people, to speak to them as a father to his children, as "Wonderful, Counsellor, Mighty God."

Let us not forget to remind ourselves continually of the blessed truth discovered by Jacob when he awoke from his wondrous dream, the there is communication between earth and heaven, that heaven has interest in earth, that the ruler of heaven is interested in what goes on down here. Remember we this: God is concerned for man, takes account of man, every man, and strives to make Himself known by man and loved by man. God is interested in the life of man and the soul of man and the fate of man. He has concern for man.

II. JUDAH STUBBORN IN HER BACKSLIDING Jeremiah 8:4-7

To abandon the faith and practice of religion once professed is to backslide, and this is to undergo moral deterioration, to lapse from an observance of the wholesome in conduct, to descend from the practice of fellowship with God. This comes about by one's walking with the world until his spiritual life has acquired the spiritual temperature of the world.

The preacher told his wife over the telephone that he was bringing me to lunch. We entered the house through the kitchen and the wife was frying fresh fish. As we sat at the table, the wife brought us hot fried fish under a cover on a platter which had been kept hot by being set on the stove. Had she fried the fish an hour before and left them somewhere about the sink or placed them in the ice-box, the fried fish would have taken the surrounding temperature and would have been far, far less palatable. Now this is a parable of backsliding.

If a Christian keep nigh to God, if Christian daily read his Bible and pray and warm his heart by allowing it to bear in the warm light of the love of God, if a Christian neglect not his attendance on the services of the house of God, Bible school, worship services, prayer-meetings, if a Christian practice the teachings of his Lord in daily life, his heart remains zealous in the work of the Lord and he thus avoids the condition into which Judah had fallen when Jeremiah was called to preach to the people of that God-favored race.

But if a Christian stay away from the places where the heart of God throbs

NEILL HAS BUSY YEAR



REV. E. E. NEILL

Rev. E. E. Neill, missionary in the Tishomingo County Association, included the following facts in his annual report to the association: number of churches visited, 21; number of visits made to the churches, 137; five Sunday School study courses taught; five B.T.U. study courses taught; organized five B.T.U.'s; visited nine schools; 21 revivals held; preached 363 sermons; planned nine V.B.S. and worked in eight;

Assisted in organization for Christian workers at Iuka; arranged for five weeks of B.T.U. study courses; visited 613 homes; helped plan 12 workers council programs and attended 11 of these;

Wrote 225 cards and letters, trav-

warm and the light of God's eye is bright to disclose the true way, his own eyes will become bedimmed and his own heart will grow cold and the blood of his own spiritual life will grow sluggish. His love for the word and worship and work of God will go to sleep and his love for the way and walk of the world will grow into an enslaving and consuming lust for the unholy. And this is the condition of the backslider.

III. THE BURDEN OF PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY Jeremiah 31:29-35

Let us not fear that Jeremiah repealed the ancient unwritten law of God that whatsoever a nation soweth that shall it also reap, and whatsoever a family planteth that shall it assuredly gather. The solidarity of the family and the nation, the responsibility of the nation and the family are those of the individuals who compose the family and the nation. So, while Jeremiah speaks no word that repeals these ancient laws, he does come from Jehovah with a message in which emphasis is laid upon the responsibility of the individual. He stops the mouth of the man who whines, "There ain't a man in the world that can live a Christian life with my wife. Elvira is a sight."

In this great passage the prophet casts upon the rubbish heap every excuse of men by which any one of them seeks to justify his godless course by blaming the pursuit of it upon his environment. "The people among whom I live are so bad that I can not love and serve God and walk with Him!" But the people among whom you live are not so bad as those whom Enoch of old lived and he walked all the way home with God. Thus always and with every sin inherited from depraved ancestry. What of the fathers did eat sour grapes? What through the fathers were godless men? What though the fathers did drink and carouse and yield themselves to the leash of lust. God lives forever the master of lust and the love all low things.

THE BAPTIST RECORD GREATLY appreciates a nice list of new subscriptions sent in by Rev. C. S. Wales of Blue Mountain. Most of the subscriptions were from People's Church in Tippah County. Some of them were from Pleasant Hill Church in that county.

elled 18,030 miles; visited eight hospitals, led 43 prayer meetings; held 10 funerals; had 10 surrender for definite service, six of whom were young men for the ministry; had 163 professions, baptized 180; held 665 personal conferences; made 135 phone calls in connection with the work, assisted in ordination of one preacher and three deacons; and preached in 12 street services.

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Southern Baptists Now Have A College West Of Texas

By W. BARRY GARRETT
Editor

ARIZONA BAPTIST BEACON

PRESCOTT, Ariz.—Southern Baptists now have a college West of Texas. Grand Canyon College became a reality with the grand opening here on September 13. There are only three Baptist colleges in eleven western and northwestern states, and these are owned by Northern Baptists.

God has given Grand Canyon College a choice, consecrated, Baptist faculty of 16 members, six of whom either have their doctor's degree or have completed residence work for it.

The student body of 93, eight per cent of whom are Freshmen, come from 12 states. There are 33 ministerial students, all of whom are already active in missions and preaching points.

The missionary opportunity of Grand Canyon College is revealed in this observation by Dr. Willis J. Ray, executive secretary of Arizona Baptists and president of the school. On a recent associational trip from Phoenix, Arizona, to Provo, Utah, he counted 13 places in Arizona and 34 in Utah of from 50 to 5,000 in population in which there is neither Northern or Southern Baptist work. Grand Canyon College will minister to the spiritual needs of these communities as rapidly as possible.

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Arkansas Baptists Adopt Largest Budget In History

LITTLE ROCK, Ark.—(BP)—Arkansas Baptists meeting here in their 96th annual session and the first of their second century voted a budget of \$1,016,666.67 for 1950, the largest in their history, with \$318,666.67 going to Southwide causes.

The number of baptisms reported was 14,700, an increase of 753 over last year. A change in the convention constitution was adopted to the effect that no member of any board of any institution of the convention might at the same time be a member of the Executive Board.

The messengers deplored efforts being made in the national Congress to break down the American principle of separation of church and state and registered its protest against the recent action of the Arkansas General Assembly in appropriating \$50,000 to the School of Pharmacy of the College of the Ozarks, a Presbyterian institution.

The convention voted to refuse to seat messengers from any church that accepts alien immersion, practices open communion, or affiliates with any branch of the Federal Council of Churches, World Council of Churches, or any other organization similar to or growing out of such. A resolution was passed looking toward the possibility of taking over Southern Baptist College, Walnut Ridge, as an institution of the convention.

Officers elected at the meeting are T. H. Jordan, president; C. Z. Holland, first vice-president; A. F. Muncy, second vice-president; W. Dawson King, recording secretary; B. L. Bridges, executive secretary-treasurer.

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THE BAPTIST RECORD APPRECIATES a nice list of new and renewal subscriptions from Chester Church, Choctaw County. The list was sent by an old friend of the Baptist Record, Mrs. G. L. Keen. The pastor is Rev. John E. Barrow. He also serves Sturgis Church.

County Line Church Has Homecoming And Revival



JOHN M. MCGINNIS

Homecoming Day was held at County Line Church in Copiah County on November 20. Visiting speakers included Dr. John McGinnis, of Cedartown, Georgia, and two former pastors, Rev. L. C. Hoff, now of Florence and Rev. R. A. Langley, now of Darlove.

The W.M.S. served dinner on the grounds at noon to approximately 300 people.

The day was also the beginning of the fall revival, in which Dr. John M. McGinnis served as evangelist and the Pastor, Rev. R. J. Sweetman, as song leader. Three were added to the church during the meeting.

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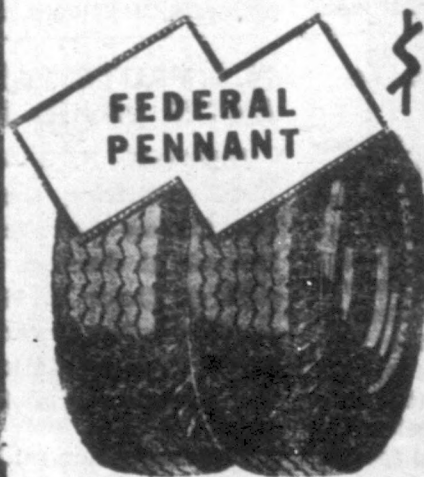
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Okla. Churchmen Push Dry Campaign

ENID, Okla.—(RNS)—The United Dry Association of Oklahoma has announced it will not accept Gov. Roy J. Turner's refusal to open a special session of the legislature to measures tightening the state's prohibition laws.

A statement announcing the United Drys' position was issued here jointly by David Shapard, the organization's attorney, and the Rev. Roy S. Hollomon, its executive secretary.

"We feel that we can show Governor Turner in a short time," the statement said, "that the best interests of the state call for his action, and that the majority of the people desire it."

"We feel that when the governor is shown this, he will submit the matter to the legislature in a supplemental message if he does not include it in the original call."

Meanwhile, a civic betterment group recently organized in Cushing has asked city commissioners to run Cushing bootleggers out of business. A total of 112 persons signed a petition asking the all-out war against bootleggers.

Cooperation of federal officers has been assured, according to the Rev. Ray Snodgrass, of Enid, president of the Okla. Drys. He said that frequent liquor raids are being made in many counties, and that "the flow from wholesale houses in surrounding wet states has been shut off."

"We aren't through yet," Mr. Snodgrass declared. "The Christian people of Oklahoma have begun a battle which they intend to wage until full victory has been won."

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Georgia Baptists Emphasize Evangelism, Coop Program

AUGUSTA, Ga.—(BP)—The Georgia Baptist Convention has voted to increase its Cooperative Program goal for 1950 with a continued 50-50 division of distributable funds between state and Southern Baptist Convention causes. The distributable fund goal will be \$1,167,400, an increase of \$145,000 over the budget for the current year.

Keynotes of the 128th session, meeting here where the Southern Baptist Convention was organized in 1845, were on the Cooperative Program and its relation to missions and upon the evangelistic crusade within the state.

Secretary of Evangelism H. C. Whitener told the convention that reports from 78 of the 88 associations gave an incomplete total of 26,678 baptisms during the year—486 more than the total of all associations the previous year. He said all associations were planning to cooperate in the 1951 simultaneous crusade.

Dr. Spring Dowell, president of Mercer University, was re-elected president of the convention for a second year.

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LOVERS OF NATURE, PARTICULARLY lovers of flowers, will enjoy a recent volume by Nell Warren Outlaw entitled "VOICELESS LIPS," (\$2) as the lips of flowers give their message to the world through the understanding pen of the author. Beginning with the Easter lily whose message is purity and closing with the pond lily with its message of rising to the highest place, each of the 26 messages are given to the form of a spiritual devotional. Orders should be sent to the Baptist Book Store or the Broadman Press, Nashville, Tenn.

SOUTHERN BAPTIST LEADERS VISIT GOLDEN GATE SEMINARY



Front, left to right: Dr. Duke McCall, Nashville, Tennessee; Judge and Mrs. John W. McCall, Memphis, Tennessee. Back, left to right: Dr. S. G. Posey, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, Berkeley, and dean of Golden Gate Seminary; Dr. B. O. Herring, president of Golden Gate Seminary; Dr. Fred A. McCaulley, Western Field Secretary, Home Mission Board; Dr. S. F. Dowis, Superintendent of Cooperative Missions, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Ga.

Maryland Votes \$15,000 Increase In 1950 Cooperative Program Goal

BALTIMORE, Md.—(BP)—The Maryland Baptist Union Association voted a \$140,000 Cooperative Program goal for next year at its annual meeting at the University Baptist Church here, October 19-21. This is a \$15,000 increase over this year's goal.

Three new churches were received into the fellowship of the State Association. Resolutions voted by the body call for a pastor's institute to be arranged by the general secretary in the near future, and the appointment of a committee on publicity to cover the program, work, and accomplishments of the denomination within the state.

Tradition was upset as the 702 mes-

sengers voted to assemble at the Allen Memorial Church, of Salisbury, next year. It has been the custom for many years to meet in annual session in Baltimore. Dr. Vernon B. Richardson, host pastor this year, will preach the annual sermon.

Newly elected officers are: Rev. E. E. Garland, Crisfield, president; Dr. S. Arthur Eppley, Baltimore, first vice-president; Mr. Arthur G. Martin, Hagerstown, second vice-president; Rev. Laurence A. Free, Baltimore, recording secretary; Rev. A. Howard Beard, Baltimore, assistant recording secretary; and Rev. Clifton G. Thomas, Baltimore, secretary.

Interference Is Charged To Oklahoma City Police

OKLAHOMA CITY—(BP)—City police were accused of interfering with a dry parade sponsored by the United Drys on a recent Saturday afternoon, according to Dr. I. L. Yearby, pastor of Trinity Baptist Church, who served as county chairman. Police attempted, Yearby said, to break the two-mile long parade consisting of 325 decorated cars and 30 floats into small ineffective groups in spite of a regular parade license granted for the occasion and promised police protection. A formal protest was being filed with the police department.

Thurman J. Jordan, lay spokesman for the group, cited instances of contempt. One policeman attempted to stop the parade by telling one of the sections that it was all over. Another motorcycle officer was overheard to say to a pedestrian who wanted to cross the street, "Go on through, they (the paraders) are probably drunk anyway."

"The net result," said Jordan, "was that a great parade and demonstration against liquor, repeal, sin, crime, was broken up into sections, divided, slowed down, and seemingly hampered in every way possible by civil employees who were supposed to be doing their duty in an unbiased manner."

N. J. PROTESTANT CLERGY ENTER BINGO ISSUE

NEWARK, N. J.—(RNS)—A statement criticizing the distribution in the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Newark of circulars urging the support of Elmer H. Wene, Democratic candidate for Governor, because he favors bingo legislation, was issued by the Ministers' Association of Bloomfield.

The association said it was "shocked to learn of the intent of certain groups throughout Essex County and the state to project the bingo issue and the Roman Catholic Church into the political contest for Governor."

"Parochial school financing is not an issue in this campaign," the statement declared in reference to "press reports that bingo is needed for Catholic educational purposes."

The association recommended that the clergy present the matter to their parishioners, explaining the implications of "this latest move in the political arena of this state."

Meanwhile, the Council of Churches in Trenton, the state capital, said it was opposed to "all forms of gambling" and added, "we reaffirm our position on separation of Church and State." No direct reference was made to the bingo issue.

Dr. Duke K. McCall, executive secretary of the Southern Baptist Convention and other convention leaders were recent visitors at Golden Gate Seminary and Calvary Baptist Church in Berkeley, California.

The visiting delegation, on a return trip from several western state conventions included: Dr. Duke McCall, Nashville, Tennessee; Judge and Mrs. John W. McCall, Memphis, Tennessee, parents of Dr. McCall; Mrs. George E. Martin, Norfolk, Virginia, southwide W. M. U. president; Mrs. L. L. Knight, Portsmouth, Virginia; Dr. S. F. Dowis, Superintendent of Cooperative Missions, Home Mission Board, Atlanta, Georgia; and Dr. Roy Sutton, Associate Executive Secretary of the Arizona Baptist Convention, Phoenix, Arizona.

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Bids Laymen Take Religious Principles To Work

NEW YORK—(RNS)—Greatest need of the world today is for Christian laymen who will take their religious principles to work with them instead of leaving them at home, according to Dr. Robert J. McCracken, minister of Riverside church here.

"For the majority of people," he said at a Laymen's Sunday service, "religion is a spare-time activity. What has happened is that they have allowed religion and life to become divorced. They have never learned to look on their daily work as religious vocation."

In his sermon, Dr. McCracken said that laymen who work in factories and other places should "grapple with the problem of conforming the world they know, from Monday to Saturday," to their religious principles.

He said the Church has been to blame for not teaching men to look on their work as "a religious vocation."

"It has allowed religion and work to get into two separate compartments," he said. "It has not stressed, as it should have done, that men are to serve God in their work."

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